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SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
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Re San Juan letter to Bureau, 10/28/69.

The files of the San Juan Office contain no pertinent information regarding captioned matter. Case being placed in pending inactive status for submission of quarterly report or letter by 5/1/70.

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REFERENCE

Report of SA ROBERT E. KEHRES, 11/4/69, at Cleveland.

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Will follow and report Communist activities in the Cleveland area as they pertain to racial matters.

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BART, [REDACTED]

CV T-2 is ✓

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CV T-3 is ✓

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CV T-4 is ✓

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CV T-5 is ✓

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CV T-6 is ✓

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Used to identify HENRY
WINSTON

CV T-7 is ✓

[REDACTED]

Used to identify DANIEL
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CV T-8 is ✓

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All persons listed in this report as being members of the CP or SWP who live within the area covered by the Cleveland Office, with the exception of informants, are listed on the Security Index.

This report is classified ~~Confidential~~ since it contains information from CV T-1 through CV T-8 which could result in their being identified. They are informants of continuing value and this would compromise their future effectiveness.

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Report of: SA ROBERT E. KEHRES
Date: FEBRUARY 3, 1970

Office: CLEVELAND

Field Office File #: 100-27056

Bureau File #: 100-442529

Title: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN
RACIAL MATTERS

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Synopsis:

FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD 10/16/69 - 1/15/70

CP assists reporter from "Daily World" to obtain story on FRED EVANS, this story to be publicized all over world. CP anxious to recruit and work with Negroes. Ohio CP worked for election of Cleveland Mayor CARL STOKES. CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT in Cleveland in effort to recruit Negroes into CP. SWP in Cleveland calls for black control of the black community and of black education, and for an independent black political party. YSA reported to have recruited three Negroes, and SWP is emphasizing recruiting Negroes. SWP arranged rally in support of Black Panthers. No racial demonstrations during period of this report in which communists were known to have participated. HARLELL JONES supports communism as practiced in Cuba and China.

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DETAILS:

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I. COMMUNIST STRATEGY

A. Communist Party, USA (CPUSA)

1. Local Plans and Strategy

(a.) "Daily World Reporter in Cleveland, Ohio
to Obtain Facts on FRED EVANS Case"

FRED "AHMED" EVANS

"The Plain Dealer", Cleveland daily newspaper of general circulation in the Cleveland area, issue of June 7, 1969, states that FRED "AHMED" EVANS is a "black nationalist leader, convicted of first degree murder of three policemen and one civilian during a gun battle last summer---. Evans was convicted on May 12 (1969) of directing a conspiracy which resulted in a shoot out between police and black nationalists last July 23---."

CV T-1 advised on September 30, 1969, that according to PHILIP BART, a Negro reporter for the "Daily World" will arrive in Cleveland on the afternoon of September 26, 1969, and that he is coming to Cleveland to get as much information as possible on the FRED "AHMED" EVANS case. BART said that the Communist Party, in its effort to free EVANS, wants to publicize his case all over the world. According to BART, this reporter is CHARLES HIGHTOWER, and he is not a member of the Communist Party (CP).

"Daily World"

The "Daily World" is an east coast communist newspaper.

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PHILIP BART

CV T-1 advised on September 30, 1969, that PHILIP BART is currently the chairman of the Ohio CP.

CV T-1 subsequently advised in September, 1969, that on September 26, 1969, through the assistance of CP members in Cleveland, CHARLES HIGHTOWER met with representatives of the "Call and Post", a newspaper of general circulation in the Negro area of Cleveland, and one of the reporters for this paper agreed to take HIGHTOWER for a visit of the ghetto area. CV T-1 also advised that HIGHTOWER had hoped to meet with the attorneys for EVANS, but HIGHTOWER said on September 27, 1969, that he had been unable to meet with them for they claimed they were too busy and too tired. Source stated that through the assistance of the CP in Cleveland, HIGHTOWER met with HARLLEL/JONES on September 27, 1969, JONES being prime minister of the Afro-Set in Cleveland.

A characterization of the Afro-Set, wherein HARLLEL JONES is identified, is attached hereto.

(b.) Efforts to Gain Influence Among Negroes

CV T-1 advised on September 25, 1969, that during conversation with [redacted] in the Spring of 1969, it was learned that [redacted] a Negro, works at the Chrysler Plant in Twinsburg, Ohio, and also that he is sympathetic to the Negroes' struggle for their civil rights. [redacted] was also believed to be sympathetic to, or at least not unsympathetic towards, the CP, and [redacted] expressed interest in meeting with a [redacted] who also works at the Chrysler Plant in Twinsburg. [redacted] felt that he and [redacted] could possibly work together in an effort to assist the union in the Chrysler Plant.

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CV T-1 advised on September 25, 1969, that [redacted] is a member of the CP in the Cleveland area and also attends

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Ohio Communist Party State Committee
meetings.

CV T-1 further advised on September 25, 1969, that PHILIP BART is very anxious that CP members in Cleveland meet with [] in an effort to recruit him into the CP. Since [] is a Negro, it was suggested to BART that it might be advisable to have a Negro CP member who is connected with a labor union meet with [] BART pointed out, however, that there was not another Negro in the local CP who is in a labor union and who could meet with []

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CV T-1 advised in September, 1969, that a meeting between [] and [] was held on September 26, 1969, at which there was general conversation in an effort to interest [] in the CP. Source further advised in December, 1969, that nothing further was heard from [] since the September 26, 1969 meeting, but efforts to contact [] had been unsuccessful and that it appears evident that [] is not interest in the CP.

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CV T-2 advised on September 30, 1969, that at a CP Cedar Central Club meeting held in Cleveland on September 29, 1969, PHILIP BART advised that HENRY WINSTON would come to Cleveland providing the CP in Cleveland is able to recruit five new black members. BART said that as of this time, the CP has no new black members, but that [] has a new contact whom he hopes to get into the party (the contact was [])

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HENRY WINSTON

CV T-6 advised on May 8, 1969, that HENRY WINSTON was elected national chairman of the CPUSA at its 19th national convention held in New York City April 30 to May 3, 1969.

CV T-1 advised on October 8, 1969, that when PHILIP BART had learned that CHARLES HIGHTOWER had recently met with HARLELL JONES in Cleveland, BART

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pointed out that he wanted to keep in contact with JONES' group because "those are the people we need to try and work with."

CV T-1 advised on October 28, 1969, that at an Ohio CP State Committee meeting held at Cleveland on October 26, 1969, DANIEL RUBIN noted that Pittsburgh, Cleveland, and Detroit are the production centers in the United States and that these are the areas where the communists must work. RUBIN said that the communists must work harder to get the black accepted in the building trades, and in the auto, steel, and coal industries.

DANIEL RUBIN Ohio

CV T-7 advised on December 15, 1968, that DANIEL RUBIN is national organization secretary of the CPUSA.

CV T-1 further advised on October 28, 1969, that at the Ohio CP State Committee meeting on October 26, 1969, PHILIP BART and DANIEL RUBIN stressed the importance of linking the peace movement and black liberation struggle together, but they agreed that the principal concentration must not be on the peace movement; that in order to attract more blacks, more time must be spent trying to improve relations with the workers and the blacks in the community in which they live.

CV T-1 advised on November 12, 1969, that a CP meeting was held in Cleveland on November 9, 1969, referred to by PHILIP BART as a special CP board meeting. It was held at PHILIP BART's apartment for the purpose of discussing the recent elections in the City of Cleveland. The CP was pleased at the re-election of CARL STOKES as Mayor of Cleveland and commented that party members had worked hard to bring about his election.

It was suggested at this meeting that a committee of CP members visit the Mayor at Cleveland City Hall and tell him that the CP supports him, did work for him, and will continue to work for him. However, [redacted] said that he had already visited City Hall

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and let it be known that the CP is for STOKES. Those present also expressed disapproval of the SWP opposition to STOKES since they ran their own candidate for mayor, and the CP considered this as an action of pure racism.

Socialist Workers Party (SWP)

The SWP has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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CV T-9 advised in September, 1969, that at a meeting of the National committee of the CPUSA held in New York City September 19-21, 1969, [REDACTED] was appointed head of the national group commission of the CPUSA.

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CV T-1 advised on December 4, 1969, that an Ohio CP State Board meeting was held in Cleveland on December 1, 1969, with GUS HALL present. At this meeting, HALL asked what the Cleveland CP members are doing to try and attract black workers to the party. BART answered "we thought we had one, but it did not pan out". (CV T-1 stated that BART's reference was to [REDACTED])

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GUS HALL

The June 17, 1969 issue of the "Daily World" identified GUS HALL as general secretary of the CPUSA.

CV T-1 advised on December 18, 1969, that CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT was in Cleveland during the period December 15-17, 1969, and on December 17, 1969, LIGHTFOOT attended an Ohio CP State Board meeting, at which time the following information was learned:

LIGHTFOOT reported that he had expected to go to Akron, Ohio, on December 15, 1969, to attend a meeting with some black workers, but that because of the bad weather, he was unable to go. He had hoped to be able to recruit some of these black workers into the CP.

On December 16, 1969, LIGHTFOOT met with [redacted] this being the first time LIGHTFOOT had met [redacted] and the conversation being general and pertaining primarily to the ills of the capitalist system and the need for a change. Following the meeting with [redacted] LIGHTFOOT attended a meeting held at a CP member's home in Cleveland, the purpose of this meeting being to try and recruit some youth into the CP.

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LIGHTFOOT reported at this December 17, 1969 state board meeting that he would return to Cleveland around January 9, 1970, at which time he hoped to meet with the black workers in Akron in an effort to recruit them into the CP.

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT

CV T-8 advised on May 6, 1969, that LIGHTFOOT was elected a member of the national committee of the CPUSA at its national convention held April 30 to May 3, 1969, in New York City.

CV T-1 advised on January 7, 1970, that a CP meeting was held in Cleveland on January 5, 1970, for the purpose of discussing some of the former Negro members who could be re-contacted in an effort to get them back into the CP.

B. Socialist Workers Party (SWP)

1. Local SWP Policy

CV T-3 advised on October 8, 1969, that [redacted] is an SWP member in Cleveland and is the SWP candidate for election to the East Cleveland Board of

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Education. Among the things [] is campaigning for are (1) autonomous black control of black education and (2) mandatory black and third world studies for all students in an effort to upgrade black culture.

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CV T-3, on October 24, 1969, furnished a leaflet entitled "Vote Socialist", wherein is listed the "Stapleton-Harris Program". One of the points on this program calls for "black control of the black community - for an independent black political party to lead the struggle for black liberation by any means necessary. Disarm the racist cops - establish community control of policing. Take the cops and troops out of the community and schools."

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CV T-4 advised in October, 1969, that [] is a member of the SWP in Cleveland and is the SWP candidate for mayor of the City of Cleveland.

CV T-3, on October 24, 1969, also furnished a leaflet entitled "Join Young Socialists for Stapleton-Harris", which points out that these candidates stand for black control of the black community, freedom for AHMED EVANS, and other things.

CV T-3 advised on October 24, 1969, that although the SWP candidates in Cleveland called for black control of the black community, including schools, police, and commercial enterprises, there is, at this time, no emphasis being placed by the SWP on the recruiting of Negroes, and there is only one Negro in the Cleveland SWP at this time.

CV T-4 advised on November 12, 1969, that at the regular weekly meeting of the SWP held at Cleveland on November 9, 1969, it was announced that during the course of the campaign by SWP candidates in the 1969 elections, three black students had joined the Young Socialist Alliance (YSA).

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SWP literature, furnished by CV T-4, stated that the recruiting of these three blacks is the most important gain in the movement in this area".

A characterization of the YSA is contained in the Appendix attached hereto.

CV T-4 advised on December 16, 1969, that at an SWP meeting held in Cleveland on December 14, 1969, [] who is the SWP organizer in Cleveland, stated that in keeping with the decisions and policies set down by the last SWP convention, the main tasks of all branches of the SWP in the United States are the anti-war work, the black struggle, and the radicalization of the youth in this country. [] said the Cleveland Branch of the SWP should concentrate on building a large regional area black membership and that this is now possible because of the notoriety that [] a Negro, received in the election campaign for now he can travel to areas in southern Ohio and in regional areas where he can speak and recruit.

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[] also reported on defense work in Cleveland and said it was apparent that the FRED "AHMED" EVANS defense in Cleveland was a failure, but that with new organization in the Black Panther defense, it is possible to re-organize for the defense of EVANS.

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A characterization of the Black Panther Party appears in the Appendix attached hereto.

CV T-5 advised on December 16, 1969, that at the SWP meeting on December 14, 1969, [] also reported that the SWP will try to get some Black Panthers to speak in Cleveland at a rally on December 21, 1969, and to demonstrate to free AHMED EVANS.

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CV T-1 advised on December 18, 1969, that a meeting was held in the basement of a Methodist Church in Cleveland on December 17, 1969, for the purpose of preparing for a protest rally scheduled for

December 21, 1969, at Case-Western Reserve University. This rally on December 21, 1969, will protest the alleged recent attacks against the Black Panthers.

Source stated that this December 17, 1969, meeting was chaired by a member of the SWP in Cleveland and was very obviously dominated by the SWP, although a leaflet advertising the meeting listed 22 sponsors, one being the CP. Among the 25 to 30 persons present at this meeting, only one represented the CP.

Source noted that PHILIP BART has, on occasions, expressed displeasure because the SWP is dominating this December 21, 1969 rally for the Black Panthers.

CV T-3 advised on January 7, 1970, that a rally was held on December 21, 1969, at the Strossacker Auditorium, CWRU, chaired by the attorney for the SWP, but there was nothing else said at the meeting to indicate it was SWP controlled. Source stated that among the 600 people present were members of the SWP, the CP, and that the principal speaker was DAVID HILLIARD, introduced as chief Ohio of staff of the Black Panther Party.

CV T-5 advised on December 22, 1969, that at an SWP meeting held at Cleveland on December 21, 1969, new officers were nominated for the SWP, and among the officers were [redacted] both of whom were placed in charge of black defense.

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II. COMMUNIST TACTICS

There were no racial demonstrations during the period of this report in which communists were known to have participated.

III. COMMUNIST PENETRATION AND INFLUENCE IN RACIAL AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

CV T-1 advised on November 5, 1969, that on November 2, 1969, a meeting of black nationalists was held in Cleveland with [redacted] as the speaker.

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His subject was "Is Communism in America Good or Bad for the Black People?" [] said that white America uses the word communism as a bad word in order to scare people, but that communism in itself is not bad. [] spoke forcefully for communism, but not the communism practiced in the Soviet Union. He praised communism as practiced in China and Cuba. He compared communism in Russia and in the United States with democracy under capitalism saying, in effect, "they both oppress the poor people, and if communism in the United States does so much good for the poor people, why are there so many poor whites in Appalachia?"

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[] also stated that in China, there are 700 million people and they do not have the racial problems we have in America; and in Cuba, under CASTRO, there is no discrimination against the blacks.

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**BLACK NATIONALIST PARTY
FOR SELF-DEFENSE OF NEW LIBYA,
aka., Afro American Set**

A source advised on May 21, 1969, that this organization was founded by [redacted] in the Summer of 1967, and [redacted] is presently the leader. The organization consists of 20 - 25 members at this time. Headquarters for the organization is 8127 Superior Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. The main teachings of this group are hatred of the white race, removal of all white control in Negro ghettos, and takeover of all operations in the Negro community by black people. The ultimate goal is to take over the city and the entire country by black revolution. There is no indication that this organization has ties with black nationalist organizations in other cities. This group has irregular meetings and there is no real formal organization.

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BLACK PANTHER PARTY,
Also Known As
Black Panther Party for Self-Defense

According to its official newspaper, the Black Panther Party (BPP) was started during December, 1966, in Oakland, California, to organize black people so they can take control of the life, politics and the destiny of the black community. It was organized by Bobby Seale, BPP Chairman, and Huey P. Newton, BPP Minister of Defense. Newton was sentenced in 1968 to serve 2 to 15 years after being convicted of manslaughter in connection with the killing of an Oakland police officer.

The official newspaper, "The Black Panther," which further describes itself as the "Black Community News Service," states that the BPP advocates the use of guns and guerrilla tactics in its revolutionary program to end oppression of the black people. Residents of the black community are urged to arm themselves against the police who are consistently referred to in the publication as "pigs" who should be killed.

"The Black Panther" issue of September 7, 1968, contains an editorial by BPP Minister of Education, George Mason Murray, which ends with the following:

"Black men. Black people, colored persons of America, revolt everywhere! Arm yourselves. The only culture worth keeping is a revolutionary culture. Change. Freedom everywhere. Dynamite! Black Power. Use the gun. Kill the pigs everywhere."

Included in the introduction to an article appearing in the October 5, 1968, edition of "The Black Panther" is the statement "...we will not dissent from American Government. We will overthrow it."

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Issues of "The Black Panther" regularly contain quotations from the writings of Chairman Mao Tse-tung of the People's Republic of China and feature Mao's statement that "political power grows out of the barrel of a gun."

The national headquarters of the BPP is located at 3106 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley, California. Branches have been established at various locations throughout the United States.

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YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE

A source advised on May 15, 1969, that the Young Socialist Alliance (YSA) maintains its national headquarters at 41 Union Square West, New York, New York, and has as its official publication the "Young Socialist." The YSA is the youth organization of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) and has been described by the SWP as the main recruiting ground for the SWP.

The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

APPENDIX

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 100-27056

Cleveland, Ohio
February 3, 1970

Title COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN
RACIAL MATTERS

Character INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Reference Report of SA ROBERT E. KEHRES
dated and captioned as above
at Cleveland.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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AT BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS. Will continue to follow this matter and submit quarterly report.

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Title: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Synopsis: Report for period 11/1/69-12/31/69. New England CP has urged campaign of letters to Connecticut authorities demanding dismissal of charges against BOBBY SEALE, BPP leader, arising from murder case in Connecticut. Blank petitions calling for immediate release from custody of BOBBY SEALE and addressed to Attorney General MITCHELL and U. S. Senators from Massachusetts being distributed under auspices of "Community Defense Committee." Petition depicts charges against SEALE and his incarceration as persecution by racist, capitalistic society and an attack on all people fighting to end poverty, racism and war.

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Details:

I. COMMUNIST STRATEGY

On November 2, 1969, the District Committee of the New England Communist Party (CP) held a meeting at a private residence at 130 Bird Street, Dorchester, Massachusetts.

[REDACTED] a member of the District Committee, discussed

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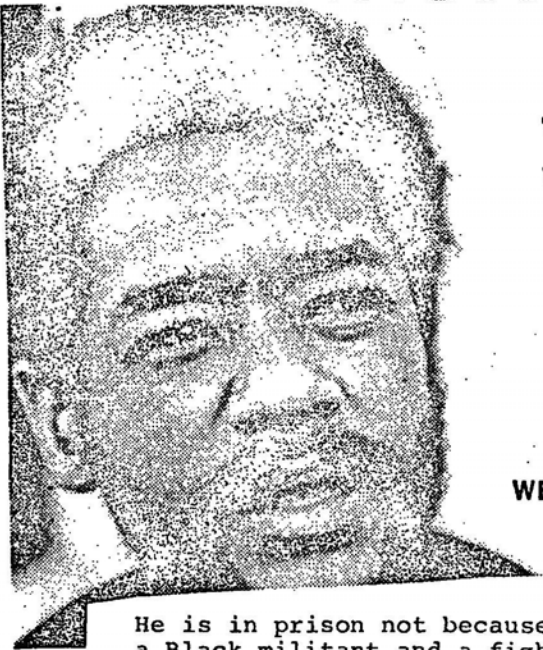
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the case of BOBBY SEALE under charge arising from a murder in Connecticut and urged a letter writing campaign to authorities in Connecticut demanding dismissal of the charge against BOBBY SEALE. Distributed at this meeting was the following blank petition:

A PETITION TO FREE BOBBY SEALE



To United States Senators Edward M. Kennedy and Edward Brooke

To United States Attorney General John Mitchell

ON AUGUST 19 BOBBY SEALE, CHAIRMAN OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY WAS ARRESTED IN BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA, FOR UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID PROSECUTION. THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY POSTED SEALE'S \$25,000.00 BOND, BUT BEFORE SEALE COULD LEAVE COURT, HE WAS ARRESTED FOR MURDER, KIDNAPPING, AND CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT MURDER. HE HAS BEEN IN PRISON EVER SINCE, HELD WITHOUT BAIL.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, DEMAND THE IMMEDIATE RELEASE OF BOBBY SEALE

He is in prison not because he is guilty of murder, but because he is guilty of being a Black militant and a fighter for socialism in a racist, capitalist society. He is guilty of the "crime" of the union organizer of the 30's, the civil rights worker of the early 60's and the anti-war activist of today. Bobby Seale is in prison because the "Justice" Department, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the local police forces are trying to silence all advocates of revolutionary social change. These Federal and local police are trying to destroy the Black Panther Party.

The Panthers are being systematically attacked on every level. In the Black Panther Party's short four year history, over 15 offices have been raided, their files and supplies destroyed, 22 Panthers have been murdered, hundreds have been imprisoned, hundreds more have been indicted and their national leadership has been crippled. Huey Newton, Minister of Defense, is in prison, Eldridge Cleaver, Minister of Information, is in exile, and now Bobby Seale, the Chairman, is also out of action.

The circumstances surrounding Bobby Seale's arrest illustrate the desperate tactics being used against the Panthers. A man "fishing" in a polluted New Haven swamp found the body of Alex Rackley. The local police immediately arrested eight Panthers for allegedly torturing and murdering Rackley. The "evidence" against the Panthers is a tape-recording that has never been produced. The public trial to prove their "guilt" has been conveniently postponed. During the months of delay Federal and local police have raided Panther offices across the country looking for "co-conspirators."

And they have imprisoned Bobby Seale; when Seale's probation records proved he was nowhere near New Haven at the time of Rackley's "murder", the charges of murder and kidnapping had to be dropped. But the flimsy charge of conspiracy to commit murder is enough to keep Bobby Seale behind bars and out of action.

This active persecution of Bobby Seale and of all the Black Panthers is a racist attack on the right of all Black Americans to engage in political activity, to fight for their rights and human dignity. The frameup of Bobby Seale and the Black Panther Party on false criminal charges is a divisive weapon used to isolate the Black Liberation movement from potential allies and to prepare for a racist, repressive onslaught against the Black community. The frameup of Bobby Seale sets a precedent for ever more vicious and dishonest attacks on all people fighting to end poverty, racism and war.

We challenge and will continue to challenge this repression. We challenge the increasing infringement of democratic rights. We demand that all charges against Bobby Seale be dropped. We demand that Bobby Seale be freed at once.

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(BS T-1, November 21, 1969)

II. COMMUNIST TACTICS

No information developed except as reported above.

III. COMMUNIST PENETRATION AND INFLUENCE IN RACIAL AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

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Synopsis: CPUSA analyzed the National Convention of the United Front Against Fascism (NCUFAF) in Oakland, California in July 1969 as successful in uniting Left groups under the leadership of the CPUSA and the Black Panther Party (BPP). CPUSA expressed doubts as to practicality of circulating BPP petitions for community control of police in the form written and wondered how two groups working in the same direction could maintain their independence. "People's World" newspaper supported various phases of BPP actions, and articles by CPUSA functionaries appear on pages of the Black Panther newspaper. Northern California District CP (NCDCP) issued pamphlets in support of the BPP, calling for an end of "attacks" on BPP by police agencies. ~~SCUS HALL~~, National Secretary, CPUSA, opposed BPP leaders who advocated use of violence. BPP uses Marxism-Leninism as guidelines for action but emphasizes Negro experiences as being more important in creating BPP ideology.

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I. COMMUNIST STRATEGY

A. Communist Party, USA (CPUSA)

1. National Level

SF T-1 on September 22, 1969 advised that [] and [] National Committeemen of the CPUSA, had written an analysis concerning the recently-held National Convention of the United Front Against Fascism (NCUFAF) which had taken place in Oakland, California in July 1969. The analysis stated that the CPUSA supported the conference originally in the expectation that it would appeal to Left activists and "revolutionists" of various persuasions.

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The impact of the conference was said to have been two-fold: First, there was the positive impact of the united front tactic. The conference displayed a united discipline which had been missing from all previous Left conferences in recent years. The second feature of the conference was the insistence of some "left sectarians" in attacking the CPUSA and the Black Panther Party (BPP) for their leading role in the conference, thus betraying their basic racism.

The CPUSA had drawn certain conclusions about the appeal of the BPP to circulate petitions for local control of police. Analyzing the BPP petition, they said it was too complicated for the average registered voter to read and to understand. It was also felt that Left groups could not activate white people to circulate this sort of petition. It was felt that even Left-leaning and revolutionary people including CP members, were not participating in the circulation of the petition in any significant numbers.

It was pointed out that the conference had left the important question of legal defense committees unsolved.

In summation, the analysis stated that the Communists had participated in the conference and according to the report, the virulent anti-communists felt excluded and were therefore critical of the results of the conference.

The article went on to point out the many differences of opinion as to the existence of fascism in the United States as well as to the effectiveness of the united front tactic in its role of spokesman for the working class. The article also noted that it was not made clear how two parties could work together in the united front and yet exist as independent groups. However, the positive result shows that a large segment of the Left in the United States had sat down at a united front conference for two and one-half days and if there was a continuation of the implementation of the conference, these proposals could be considered an important forward development in the Left movement. The analysis proposed a follow up to the conference in the CP place.

A characterization of the BPP is contained in the Appendix of this report.

WILLIAM L. PATTERSON, National Committeeman, CPUSA, writing in "The Black Panther," official publication of the BPP, issue of January 17, 1970, criticized the year-end report of the FBI Director, J. EDGAR HOOVER. His article was entitled "Language and Liberation Struggles." PATTERSON called for the departure from office of J. EDGAR HOOVER who had in the words of PATTERSON "slandered all that is decent in the USA" by charging the "Negro hate-type organization" had desecrated "our cherished ideals and symbols". PATTERSON criticized Director HOOVER for failing to take notice of the police repression in this FBI report.

HENRY WINSTON, Chairman of the CPUSA, wrote an article in the "People's World" (PW) issue of November 8, 1969 denouncing Judge JULIUS J. HOFFMAN of Chicago for his "barbaric silencing" of Chairman ROBBY SEALE in the Chicago trial.

The PW is a West Coast weekly communist newspaper.

2. Plans For District and Local Level Meetings

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SF T-2 on December 1, 1969 advised that [redacted] National functionary of the CPUSA, had appeared at the November 23, 1969 meeting of the Nitty Gritty Club of the East Bay Ghetto Club, CPUSA and had given a lecture on white chauvinism. LIMA described this problem as not unique in the CP but one which required education and personal discipline by the party members to overcome. [redacted] claimed that white women party members often sought to avoid menial jobs such as kitchen work to which assignments the black comrades were relegated. (U)

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[redacted] CP member of the East Bay Ghetto Club, claimed that the racial problem in the club had not existed before the Nitty Gritty Club had admitted white members. This claim on the part of [redacted] brought the charge from white members of the club that [redacted] was himself guilty of black chauvinism. (U)

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SF T-3 advised on October 14, 1969 that Northern California District CP (NCDCP) held a meeting in San Francisco at 942 Market Street on October 11, 1969. CARL BLOICE, a Negro, was appointed to take over as editor of the "People's World" replacing AL RICHMOND who was retiring after thirty years of service.

3. Plans As Revealed in Party Publications

The PW issue of December 20, 1969 announced that workers from the San Francisco financial district had rallied a crowd of 500 persons in the rain on December 12, 1969 in a plea of peace and a call to end the war of "genocide" of the black people. The people called on the financial community to take a stand against the "Gestapo-like" raids on the black communities and to contribute to the Defense Funds of the BPP.

B. Other Communist Groups

No pertinent information was received under this heading.

II. COMMUNIST TACTICS

No information was received under this heading.

III. COMMUNIST PARTY PENETRATION AND INFLUENCE IN RACIAL AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

A. Black Panther Party

The relationship of the CPUSA and the BPP both on a national and a local level was described by SF T-4 on December 24, 1969. This source stated as follows:

The source advised that WILLIAM PATTERSON, National Committeeman of the CPUSA, had taken the responsibility for being the liaison officer nationally between the CPUSA and the BPP. In addition, the Northern California District of the CPUSA had taken the initiative in working out relations with the BPP since the national headquarters of the BPP was in the Northern California District. It was said, by the source, that the CPUSA believed that the BPP respected PATTERSON because of his history of struggle and his authorship of the book, "We Charge Genocide".

Two local members of the CPUSA, [redacted] and [redacted] recently discussed with WILLIAM PATTERSON the situation of the BPP. PATTERSON claimed that he had spent six hours in conference with BOBBY SEALE in the recent past. (U)

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It is to be noted that Chairman BOBBY SEALE of the BPP has been in San Francisco City Prison for a considerable time awaiting extradition to the state of Connecticut to stand trial in a murder conspiracy matter.

PATTERSON also had disclosed that he had spoken with [redacted] also known as [redacted] Minister of Education of the BPP, and had gained the opinion that [redacted] and therefore, only poor leadership could be expected from him when he was in charge of the BPP operation. This leadership role had temporarily fallen on [redacted] where DAVID HILLIARD,

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Chief of Staff of the BPP, had been recently jailed because of his statements calling for the "killing" of President NIXON.

The members of the CPUSA were currently disturbed over the tendency in the BPP leadership to be anti-white extremists and easily led to provocation. The CPUSA members recalled speeches given by DAVID HILLIARD, wherein HILLIARD had attacked his white supporters, thus undermining the community base of support for the BPP. The CP members, San Francisco, believed that [redacted] lacked education and had not been subjected to development by "progressives".

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In any case, the CPUSA locally planned to support the BPP as much as possible, and this included participation in the vigil which had been initially instituted at the local BPP Headquarters after the recent Los Angeles Police Department raids on the Los Angeles Headquarters. After a few days of no developments in San Francisco, the BPP had called off the vigil, which according to the leadership of the CPUSA had been a mistake. The CP wanted to keep the vigil going.

The above material, according to the source, indicated that recent events had enabled the CPUSA to come forward with more help for the BPP and that the CPUSA was interested in keeping this cooperation going.

SF T-3 on December 15, 1969 furnished a pamphlet which had been issued by the NCDGP "Staff" entitled "Program of Action in Defense of Political Prisoners, -- The First Step: Stop the Attacks on the Panthers." In part the pamphlet claimed that the CP had a long and honorable record in the struggle against fascist reaction and therefore, the party could not betray that record by failing to respond in the face of the clear and obvious beginnings of fascism--the role of open terror. The following action was recommended:

- (1) Support BPP demonstrations
- (2) Publicize mass meetings for crowds to attend.

- (3) Urge circulation of petitions for community control of police
- (4) Defend the rights of the Black Panthers to exist.

The CP described the situation as calling for an emergency effort to stimulate opposition to attacks on the Panthers. The local CP planned to ask its National Headquarters to send WILLIAM L. PATTERSON to the area to help in the above efforts.

An anonymous source on December 22, 1969 furnished a four-page flyer the size of a tabloid newspaper printed by the NCDPC, 942 Market Street, San Francisco. In summary, the flyer appealed to the readers of the flyers to fight the nation-wide effort to destroy the BPP. It reviewed the raids conducted on Black Panther establishments by police agencies. It called for a United Nations investigation of the alleged police terror.

On page 4, under the heading "What You Can Do", the following was set forth:

"Have your club, union, church wire the President, the Attorney General, the Governor protesting the attacks and murders.

"Send a delegation to your City Council and insist that the issue be discussed.

"Raise money to defend the more than 200 political prisoners now in jail.

"Invite a speaker to a gathering at your home.

"Send a delegation to your local police department to protest the role of the police.

"Stand guard at the Black Panther Party office as part of the community patrol."

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SF T-3 on November 23, 1969 said that [redacted] and [redacted] all members of the NCDGP, had prepared this flyer. (S) (U)

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Chairman HENRY WINSTON and Secretary GUS HALL of the CPUSA printed a statement in the PW issue of January 3, 1970 concerning the actions being taken by Government agencies and police departments against the BPP. The statement asserted that there was "a cold-blooded conspiracy afoot to destroy the BPP, its leadership and membership." The article repeated the statement of the BPP that 28 members of the organization had been killed by police action since January 1968. The statement concluded with a call for actions of protest in all ways possible.

SF T-5 on November 10, 1969 advised that GUS HALL made a statement that he wanted nothing to do with the approach of those BPP leaders who felt that the solution to the problems facing the blacks was along the lines of the following quotation: "There is only one thing you have to do, brothers and sisters, go get guns." (S) (U)

SF T-6 on December 8, 1969 advised that CHARLENE MITCHELL of Los Angeles advised Chairman WINSTON of the CPUSA in New York of the details of a police raid on BPP Headquarters in Los Angeles. MITCHELL, who is National Committeewoman of the CPUSA, urged people from the white community and from the "peace" forces to get into the area. (S) (U)

SF T-7 on December 16, 1969 advised that there was a meeting of the Mission Club CP in San Francisco on December 8, 1969. At this meeting, an order from the NCDGP was read advising all available CP members to attend the "vigil" at BPP Headquarters in San Francisco in view of the unprovoked attacks by police on the Los Angeles Headquarters. (S) (U)

SF T-8 advised as follows on October 24 and 25, 1969:

ANGELA DAVIS is a publicly identified Negro CP member, who received considerable publicity in the fall of 1969 with respect to problems originating from her affiliation as an instructor at University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA). During the period October 24 and 26, 1969, SF T-8

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noted that DAVIS was expected to contact BPP Headquarters in Berkeley. [] Minister of Education, BPP, expressed an interest in using DAVIS for publicity purposes. [] desired some statement from DAVIS in support of BPP functionaries ~~SHUEY P. NEWTON~~ and BOBBY SEALE, who were in jail.

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~~JUNE HILLIARD~~ ^{USA} Assistant Chief of Staff, BPP, instructed [] of the Boston BPP that she could co-Mass sponsor an appearance of DAVIS in Boston along with the local CP on November 8, 1969 provided the CP of Massachusetts supported the BPP Ten Point Program. [] said the local CP did support the BPP Ten Point Program. This instruction was subsequently rescinded on October 27, 1969 by Chief of Staff DAVID HILLIARD, who instructed [] that while she could support the appearance of DAVIS, she should not co-sponsor her appearance. No reason for this instruction was known to the source.

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In "True" Magazine issue of January 1970, ^{SP} [] Minister of Information, BPP, claimed that while the BPP studied Marxism-Leninism, the party was trying to compose an ideology which related to the Negro problem in the United States and would, therefore, be different from the Russian and Chinese experiences.

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In a television appearance on the CBS program "Face The Nation," December 28, 1969, DAVID HILLIARD described Marxism-Leninism as an advanced science which could be considered as a guideline for action but the BPP would not reflect Marxism-Leninism as practiced in the history of Russia, China and Cuba and he claimed that the problems of the blacks were the basis of the BPP ideology.

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MICHAEL EISENSCHER, Executive Secretary, Communist Party of Wisconsin (CPW), in 10/69 was reported to meet with the Black Panther Party (BPP) twice a week. In 12/69, it was reported that [REDACTED] member of the State Committee, CPW, was to be the contact with the BPP. CPW considered placing ad in the newspapers supporting three BPP members arrested for attempted murder; however, CP has done nothing further in this regard. Organizer of Milwaukee Branch, Workers World Party (WWP), has been in close contact with member of now defunct Milwaukee chapter of BPP in effort to help reorganize BPP or similar organization in Milwaukee.

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I. COMMUNIST STRATEGY

A. Communist Party, United States of America (CPUSA)

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(Source: MI T-1, October 28, 1969)

A characterization of the Black Panther Party is attached hereto.

On November 3, 1969, [redacted] member, CPW, passed out leaflets on the campus at the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, Wis., (UWM), which reads as follows:

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"Terror In Chicago

"The racist courts of America under the control of this racist government have made another attempt to destroy the people's constitutional right of Law and Justice. Black Panther Party Chairman Bobby Seale, a defendant in the 'Chicago Conspiracy' trial, has been consistently refused the right to have an attorney of his own choosing, and denied the right to defend himself. He is also the only one of the eight defendants who has been denied bail.

"Judge Julius Hoffman, a racist, fascist, judicial tyrant, is responsible for these gross injustices and violations of basic constitutional rights. In court on Wednesday, October 29, Chairman Bobby Seale once again demanded his rights to defend himself and to question witnesses. 'Hanging Judge' Hoffman ordered marshalls to remove Bobby from the courtroom to be bound and gagged. He was then taken out, handcuffed behind his back, and gagged. He was then returned and tied to his chair. When the gag loosened, Bobby was once again removed and

"gagged again." Thursday in court when his shackles became loosened and Bobby tried to remove his gag to demand his rights, he was attacked and beaten by marshalls. Judge Adolf Hitler Hoffman then recessed court for lunch.

"This is just one example of what can happen to a Freedom Fighter in America today. Chairman Bobby Seale is a victim of this racist, reactionary system which rules our land, murdering at will at home and abroad. Fascism must be stopped!

"Protest Legal Lynching & Judicial Tyranny.

"1. Send a telegram today to Attorney General John Mitchell, Justice Department, Washington, D. C., demanding:

"A. maltreatment of Bobby Seale be immediately halted;

"B. Judge Hoffman be removed from the case and impeachment proceedings be started against him;

"C. Bobby Seale be allowed to defend himself or be given a postponement until his chosen attorney is able to take the case;

"D. Bobby Seale be given bail as have the other defendants.

"2. Send donations for legal defense and bail funds to The Legal Aid Against Repression, Box 2339, Milwaukee, Wisc. 53212.

Post Office Box 2339 is assigned to MICHAEL E. EISENSCHER.

(Source: MI T-1, December 19, 1969)

"3. Go to Chicago to observe the trial and join support activities.

"4. Contact the Black Panther Party, 2121 N. First St., 372-8584 for more information.

"Sponsored as a public service by: The Student Socialist Forum, The Black Panther Party, The Wisconsin Committee to Combat

MI 100-14439

"Fascism, The Organizing Comm. for a
New Marxist-Leninist Youth Organization.

"Attend a rally on Saturday, Nov. 1, at
noon, at the Federal Bldg.-Chicago."

(Source: MI T-1, November 4, 1969)

[redacted] member of the State Committee, CPW,
is to be the CPW contact with the BPP from now on.

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(Source: MI T-1, December 5, 1969)

CPW was considering placing an advertisement in
the daily newspapers supporting the three members of the
BPP who were arrested in Milwaukee, Wis., for attempted
murder of a Milwaukee police officer. To date, the CP
has not placed an ad in the daily newspapers; however,
there was an ad which appeared in the November 1969 issue
of "Communist Viewpoint," the bulletin of the Wisconsin
CP, which read:

"Free Bobby Seale, Huey Newton, and
the Milwaukee 3."

(Source: MI T-1, December 5, 1969
December 29, 1969)

B. Workers World Party (WWP)

A characterization of the Workers World
Party is attached hereto.

[redacted] organizer, Milwaukee Branch,
Workers World Party (WWP), has been in close contact with
[redacted] officer of the now defunct Milwaukee Branch
of the BPP, and is cooperating with her in an effort to
reorganize the BPP or a similar type organization in
Milwaukee.

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II. COMMUNIST TACTICS

No information developed.

III. COMMUNIST PENETRATION AND
INFLUENCE IN RACIAL AND
OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

No information developed.

**BLACK PANTHER PARTY, aka
Black Panther Party for
Self Defense**

According to its official newspaper, the Black Panther Party (BPP) was started during December, 1966, in Oakland, California, to organize black people so they can take control of the life, politics, and the destiny of the black community. It was organized by Bobby George Seale, BPP Chairman, and Huey P. Newton, BPP Minister of Defense. Newton is presently serving a sentence of 2 to 15 years on a conviction of manslaughter in connection with the killing of an Oakland police officer.

The official newspaper, "The Black Panther," which further describes itself as the "Black Community News Service," states that the BPP advocated the use of guns and guerrilla tactics in its revolutionary program to end oppression of the black people. Residents of the black community are urged to arm themselves against the police who are consistently referred to in the publication as "pigs" who should be killed.

"The Black Panther" issue of September 7, 1968, contains an editorial by BPP Minister of Education, George Mason Murray, which ends with the following:

"Black men. Black people, colored persons of America, revolt everywhere! Arm yourselves. The only culture worth keeping is a revolutionary culture. Change. Freedom everywhere. Dynamite! Black Power. Use the gun. Kill the pigs everywhere."

Included in the introduction to an article appearing in the October 5, 1968, edition of "The Black Panther" is the statement, "...we will not dissent from American Government. We will overthrow it."

Issues of "The Black Panther" regularly contain quotations from the writings of Chairman MAO Tse-tung of the People's Republic of China and feature MAO's statement that "political power grows out of the barrel of a gun."

The national headquarters of the BPP is located at 3106 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley, California. Branches have been established at various locations throughout the United States.

APPENDIX

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WORKERS WORLD PARTY

On April 17, 1959, a confidential source advised that on February 12, 1959, a Socialist Workers Party (SWP) minority group under the leadership of National Committee member Sam Ballan split from the SWP.

The source stated that this minority group, referred to as the Marcyites, after many years of program and policy differences on varied issues concerning tactics and interpretation of political events, split from the SWP on the grounds that the Party was liquidating itself by departing from the Marxist precepts of Leon Trotsky and retreating from the fight for the world socialist revolution. The final issue which ultimately forced the split was the minority's opposition to the SWP regroupment policy which involved cooperation with the Communist Party (CP) periphery individuals characterized by the minority as petty bourgeois.

The minority program, according to the source, advocated unconditional defense of the Soviet Union and has as its goal the building of a revolutionary party with a complete proletarian orientation for the purpose of overthrowing capitalism in the United States and throughout the world.

On May 12, 1969, source advised that this minority group had chosen the name Workers World Party.

On May 1, 1969, a second source advised that the Workers World Party, which maintains headquarters at 46 West 21st Street, New York, New York, supports the People's Republic of China in its ideological dispute with the Soviet Union.

The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Milwaukee, Wisconsin
February 3, 1970

Title	COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
Character	INTERNAL SECURITY - C
Reference	Report of Special Agent RUSSELL D. JONES dated and captioned as above at Milwaukee, Wisconsin

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 2/2/70

FROM : *WMA*
SAC, MOBILE (100-10-F)(P*)

SUBJECT:

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Reference is made to Mobile letter to the Bureau,
10/27/69.

During the quarter ending 12/31/69, no information
was developed in the Mobile Division concerning captioned
matter. There is no CP group active in this Division and
no CP member listed.

Accordingly, no report is being submitted.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 1/31/70

FROM : SAC, Indianapolis (100-14403) (P*)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION
IN RACIAL MATTERS
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OO: New York

Re Indianapolis letter dated 11/4/69.

No information has been developed during the period
11/1/69 - 1/31/70 suitable for inclusion in a report in
captioned matter.

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- 2 - New York (RM)
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (100-442529)

FROM : *e* SAC, Honolulu (100-6356) (RUC)

SUBJECT: *CIRM*
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No information has been received indicating any Communist influence in racial matters in Hawaii.

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Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and nine copies of an LHM, dated and captioned as above, suitable for dissemination.

Source referred to in the enclosed LHM is [redacted] information from whom must be classified ~~confidential~~.

Source advised necessary arrangements to furnish \$10,000 for the use of O'DELL were handled by ANDREW J. YOUNG, Executive Vice President, SCLC.

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Atlanta, Georgia

February 5, 1970

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF RACIAL
MATTERS;
INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN
CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE;
RACIAL MATTERS; INTERNAL SECURITY -
COMMUNIST

On February 4, 1970, a confidential source advised the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) recently provided Jack O'Dell, Special Aide to the President, SCLC, with \$10,000.00 to be used by O'Dell in making arrangements for the nation-wide showing on March 24, 1970, of the film entitled "King -- From Montgomery to Memphis." Source advised he understood that as of February 1, 1970, O'Dell had not succeeded in completing arrangements with movie theaters in several communities (identities not known) for the showing of this film. X

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JACK O'DELL

The Summer, 1968, issue of "Freedomways" lists
J. H. O'Dell (Jack O'Dell) as its Associate Managing
Editor.

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FREEDOMWAYS ASSOCIATES, INCORPORATED

The records of the New York State Secretary of State, Albany, New York, show that the Certificate of Incorporation of Freedomways Associates, Incorporated, was filed on March 2, 1961.

On May 24, 1961, a source advised that a report was given on "Freedomways" at a meeting of the National Board, Communist Party, United States of America (CPUSA), held on May 24, 1961. It was stated that the central purpose of "Freedomways" is to develop a theory and positive criticism of currents in the Negro movement, as well as to raise the level of understanding and discussion taking place in Negro life today and to project a socialist and pro-Soviet orientation. ~~A~~

A second source advised on May 25, 1961, that "Freedomways" was set up for the CP by James Jackson. This source advised on April 23, 1969, that James Jackson is the Chairman of the International Affairs Department of the CPUSA and that his wife, Esther Jackson, is the current Managing Editor of "Freedomways", a magazine published by Freedomways Associates, Incorporated, located at 799 Broadway, New York, New York. ~~X~~

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Atlanta, Georgia
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Title COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF RACIAL MATTERS;
COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN
CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Character RACIAL MATTERS; INTERNAL SECURITY -
COMMUNIST

Reference Memorandum, dated and captioned as
above, prepared at Atlanta.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable
information in the past.

Domestic Intelligence Division

INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 2/19/70

Attached indicates a possible new tactic which may be exploited by the Communist Party, U.S.A. (CPUSA) in an effort to increase its stature among black extremist elements. During a CPUSA meeting 2/11/70, one of those present advised he had been informed by a CPUSA leader that the FBI is doing some of the bombings that the Black Panther Party is accused of. The CPUSA may attempt to utilize this completely false accusation against the Bureau.

We are closely following this matter. If the CPUSA does attempt to utilize this false accusation for its own purposes, counter measures will be considered and appropriate recommendations will be made.

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REPORTING OFFICE MINNEAPOLIS	OFFICE OF ORIGIN NEW YORK	DATE 2/4/70	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 12/23/69 - 1/28/70
TITLE OF CASE COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS		REPORT MADE BY DONALD E. WALLER	TYPED BY mew
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REFERENCE

Minneapolis report of SA ARTHUR J. SULLIVAN dated 11/5/69.

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This report is classified "~~confidential~~" inasmuch as it contains information from MP T-1 through MP T-9, the unauthorized disclosure of which could result in disclosure of the identities of sources of continuing value.

Characterizations of individuals and organizations mentioned in this report have been set forth where same are available.

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AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

Will submit quarterly report incorporating all pertinent activities within the next three months.

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Report of: DONALD E. WALLER
Date: February 4, 1970

Office: Minneapolis
Minnesota

Field Office File #: 100-13148

Bureau File #: 100-442529

Title: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Synopsis: CP, USA National Office literature received in MDDCP October, 1969, urging participation of Afro-Americans in Moratorium Day October 15 and November 15th demonstration in Washington, D. C. CP members, MDDCP, urged to write Attorney General of United States in support of BOBBY SEALE, Chairman, BPP. MDDCP supporting "The Call" for March, 1970, Emergency Conference to Defend the Right of the BPP to Exist, to be held in Chicago, Illinois.

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MP 100-13148

I. COMMUNIST STRATEGY

A. COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (CP, USA)

During October, 1969, [redacted], organizational secretary, Minnesota-Dakotas District, Communist Party (MDDCP), received three letters from the CP, USA National Office urging full participation of this CP district in the October 15, 1969, "Vietnam Moratorium" and the March on Washington November 15, 1969. These letters, copies of which have been set forth below, called for the widest possible participation in the war protests on the part of Afro-Americans, labor, youth, women, and students.

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MP T-1 on
October 21, 1969

October 3, 1969

TO: ALL DISTRICT ORGANIZERS
TO: ALL N.C. MEMBERS

Your district has been reminded of the special emphasis placed by the recent N.C. meeting on our participation in the national wide peace struggles scheduled for October 15 (Moratorium Day) and the massive demonstration in Washington set for November 15th.

Wide participation of Afro-Americans is most urgent. Few other spheres of struggle offer so favorable possibilities for expressions of black-white unity than does peace. The demand for "Ending the War" and "Bringing the troops home now" can produce massive expressions of unity activities of black and white for peace if a thorough organizing job is done.

Little time remains before the October 15 events but in the remaining hours all possible contacts should be made with the black community and leaders to guarantee their participation.

Special efforts must be made to secure a maximum participation of black citizens in the massive Washington demonstration. The black press must be notified, church, school, black trade union contacts made. Every effort should be made to bring a greater corp of black peace fighters into action.

WILLIAM L. PATTERSON
Co-Chairman, Black Liberation Commission

September 29, 1969

TO ALL DISTRICTS:

TO ALL N.C. MEMBERS

At the recent N.C. meeting, special emphasis was given to full participation in every possible way --of the entire Party on October 15 (Moratorium Day) and November 15th - the massive demonstration in Washington.

Recent developments on October 15 make this a primary task. It is now possible that the demand for "Ending the War" and "Bringing all the troops home now" can be a massive expression by every college and university and every high school in the country. All advocates of peace are somehow centering attention on October 15th. And the next step is the November 15th events.

Special meetings of an emergency character can strengthen these events politically and organizationally. Special attention to labor, black and women participation as well as to the youth, the students and faculty and a broad spectrum of political forces can force a change and can really make Nixon change the schedule and end the war and bring all the troops home. Let us know what is being done on this in your area.

Arnold Johnson

TO: District Organizers
 National Committee Members
 All Shop, Industrial and Concentration Clubs
 National and District Labor Commission Members

Sentiment to end the war NOW has reached mass proportions. The broad support for nation-wide peace demonstrations scheduled for October 15th, has reached into the very halls of Congress.

While Trade Union support for the October 15th actions is not lacking, it does not begin to reflect the depth and scope of the opposition to the war in the ranks of the working class.

Prominent Trade Union leaders have spoken out against this criminal war, but the tremendous peace sentiment in the ranks has no means of an organized expression.

Because of this lack, AFL-CIO President George Meany is cynically able to assert he speaks in the name of the membership when he supports this war. It is the explanation for his ability to ram a resolution through the recent AFL-CIO Convention pledging unquestioning support to Nixon's war policies in Vietnam, with only one voice raised in opposition.

It is therefore, a very welcome sign that Trade Union Rank and File Peace Committees are beginning to emerge in various cities around the nation. They are working for all-out Trade Union rank and file participation in the massive Peace demonstration set for Washington, D.C. on November 15th, and San Francisco, the same date. The second monthly Vietnam moratorium on November 13 and 14 is also receiving very considerable labor support.

Maximum support must be given to every effort to build these rank and file Trade Union Peace Committees. Shop and Industrial comrades have a special responsibility of not only supporting them to the hilt, but helping to initiate them. Comrades in community clubs should examine their ability to help.

These rank and file committees, marching in their own name on Nov. 15th, will dramatically demonstrate that the workers of this country are opposed to the war in Vietnam and what it is doing to their lives. It will give the lie to Meany's efforts to force organized labor into being a tool of U.S. big business in its criminal imperialist adventure.

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WILLIAM L. PATTERSON as of December 7, 1966, was a member of the National Executive Board and the National Committee of the CP, USA, as well as honorary chairman of the New York CP District.

MP T-2 on
December 8, 1966

ARNOLD JOHNSON in July, 1967, was identified as the National Public Relations Director of the CP, USA and a member of the National Committee, CP, USA.

MP T-3 on
July 17, 1967

[redacted] in October, 1968, was identified as a then member of the National Committee, CP, USA, and Trade Union Director, CP, USA.

MP T-3 on
October 10, 1968

[redacted] in January, 1970, was identified as a member of the National Committee, CP, USA.

MP T-4 on
January 19, 1970

Four members of the Minneapolis-St. Paul CP Club, MDDCP, attended the March on Washington November 15, 1969

MP T-5 on
November 24, 1969

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At a meeting of the District Committee, MDDCP, held in Hastings, Minnesota, November 2, 1969, a discussion concerning black and Indian liberation was included on the agenda. [redacted] had been in attendance at a CP, USA-sponsored conference on Indian liberation held in the State of Washington during early October, 1969, and at this District Committee meeting of the MDDCP commented that when the CP discusses Negro liberation, Indian liberation has to be included.

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MP T-1 on
October 16, 1969, and
November 18, 1969

At A CP meeting held in Superior, Wisconsin, November 9, 1969, members of the Duluth-Superior CP Club were furnished a leaflet urging persons to send letters to the Attorney General of the United States concerning the mistreatment of BOBBY SEALE, Black Panther Party (BPP) Chairman, demanding the following:

- "A. maltreatment of BOBBY SEALE be immediately halted;
- "B. Judge HOFFMAN be removed from the case and impeachment proceedings be started against him;
- "C. BOBBY SEALE be allowed to defend himself or be given a postponement until his chosen attorney is able to take the case;
- "D. BOBBY SEALE be given bail as have the other defendants."

MP T-6 on
November 12, 1969

The BPP is characterized in
the appendix page attached hereto.

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At a meeting of the Minneapolis CP Club held on November 5, 1969, [] ordered all members to contact their friends and to send telegrams to their congressman protesting the sentencing of BPP leader BOBBY SEALE to four years imprisonment for contempt of court by Judge HOFFMAN in United States District Court, Chicago, Illinois.

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MP T-1 on
November 10, 1969.

The National Committee, CP, USA, held a meeting in New York City, New York, on January 16, 17, and 18, 1970, at the McAlpin Hotel. On January 17, 1970, HENRY WINSTON suggested to those in attendance that CP action include assistance in the defense of the BPP. CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, in his remarks on that date, stated that the CP should work to enlist world-wide support for the defense of the BPP and maintained that the CP could get Communist Parties in 80 countries to come to the defense of the BPP. CHARLENE MITCHELL announced at this meeting on January 17, 1970, that an Emergency Committee Meeting for Defense would be held in Chicago, Illinois, March 7 and 8, 1970.

MP T-4 on
January 19, 1970

"The Worker" in its edition of June 28, 1966, reported that HENRY WINSTON had been elected National Chairman of the CP, USA at its National Convention held in New York City, New York, June, 1966.

"The Worker" was an East Coast Communist publication, which has suspended publication.

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT in October, 1967, was identified as a member of the National Committee, CP, USA.

MP T-2 on
October 18, 1967

CHARLENE MITCHELL was described in "The Worker" issue of July 14, 1968, as the candidate of the CP, USA for President of the United States and as Field Secretary of the Party's Commission on Black Liberation.

[redacted] attended a meeting of the National Committee, CP, USA, held in New York City, New York, January 16-18, 1970, and upon her return to the Minneapolis area announced a CP meeting on a National Conference for the Defense of the Black Panther Party. It is scheduled to be held in Chicago, Illinois, early in March, 1970. According to remarks made by SMITH, this conference was instigated by the CP, USA, and among those conference sponsors of national prominence are the Reverend Doctor RALPH D. ABERNATHY and Father [redacted] of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

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[redacted] had in her possession upon returning from New York the "call" to this conference as well as the list of nationally prominent individuals who had agreed to sponsor same.

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The "call" is entitled "END RACIST REPRESSION" and contains this statement on its cover:

"THE FIGHTERS ARE THE BULLS-EYE BUT THE
BLACK COMMUNITY IS THE TARGET."

The reverse side of the "call" states "An emergency conference to defend the right of the Black Panther Party to exist" is to be held March 6, 7, and 8, 1970, at the Church of the Epiphany, 201 South Ashland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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The local CP leadership, MDDCP, has since January 20, 1970, endeavored to obtain endorsements from local individuals in the St. Paul-Minneapolis area of Minnesota for this Chicago conference, scheduled to be held in March, 1970.

MP T-1 on
January 25, 1970, and
January 28, 1970

B. OTHER COMMUNIST GROUPS

The National Convention of the Young Socialist Alliance (YSA) was held in Minneapolis, Minnesota, from December 27-30, 1969. The YSA nationally claims to be approximately 10 per cent black, and black persons in attendance at this National Convention numbered approximately fifty.

MP T-7 on
January 5, 1970

The YSA is characterized
in the appendix attached hereto.

The Twin Cities Group-YSA (TCG-YSA) and the YSA in the three-state area of Minnesota, North Dakota, and South Dakota, is not known to have any member from the minority community.

MP T-8 and MP T-9 on
January 30, 1970

The TCG-YSA is characterized
in the appendix page attached
hereto.

II.. COMMUNIST TACTICS

No information developed.

III. COMMUNIST PENETRATION AND INFLUENCE IN RACIAL OR OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

No information developed.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

No information developed.

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The national headquarters of the BPP is located at 3106 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley, California. Branches have been established at various locations throughout the United States.

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APPENDIX

YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE

A source advised on May 15, 1969, that the Young Socialist Alliance (YSA) maintains its national headquarters at 41 Union Square West, New York, New York, and has as its official publication the "Young Socialist." The YSA is the youth organization of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) and has been described by the SWP as the main recruiting ground for the SWP.

The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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APPENDIX

YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE - TWIN CITIES GROUP

A source advised on May 20, 1969, that the Young Socialist Alliance (YSA) - Twin Cities Group, originally was organized on June 7, 1959, as the Young Socialist Supporters. From its inception, this group has been under the control of the Twin Cities Branch of the Socialist Workers Party (TCB-SWP).

The controlling officers of the Twin Cities Group of the YSA are members of the TCB-SWP, and the policy and program of the group are formulated, directed and controlled by the TCB-SWP leaders. The purpose of the group is to serve the TCB-SWP as an instrument through which young people can be recruited into the Socialist Workers Party.

The Young Socialist Alliance-Twin Cities Group, is affiliated with and follows the aims and purposes of the National YSA. Its primary center of activity at the present time is on the campus of the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

The TCB-SWP is an affiliate of the Socialist Workers Party.

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February 4, 1970

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Character	INTERNAL SECURITY - C
Reference	Minneapolis report of Special Agent DONALD E. WALLER dated and captioned as above.

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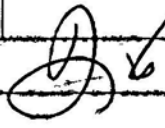
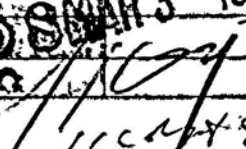
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The name EARL DEVEAUX, President, United Black Students, University of Miami, should be indexed.

Copies of this report are being disseminated to appropriate military intelligence agencies, pursuant to Bureau instructions.

The report is classified "~~confidential~~" as MM T-1 through MM T-6 are informants of continuing value whose disclosure would have an adverse effect on the national defense interests.

INFORMANTS

<u>Identity</u>	<u>Description of Information</u>	<u>Location</u>	
MM T-1 is [redacted]	Activity of Miami CP	[redacted]	
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MM T-3 is [redacted]	Used to characterize GUS HALL		
MM T-4 is [redacted]	Miami CP activity		
MM T-5 is [redacted]	UBS President at LUMER discussion and UBS background	[redacted]	b3 b7D b7E
MM T-6 is [redacted]	Objectives of United Black Students	[redacted]	

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Title:

COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS

Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNISM

Synopsis:

Miami Communist Party (CP) urged by ^SGUS HALL, CPUSA General Secretary, to come to aid of the Black Panthers who have been arrested and to initiate action against the genocide action of the U. S. Government. ^SHYMAN LUMER, CPUSA National Education Director, urged development of all kinds of activities in support of Black Panther Party. New CP Youth Club formed here to attract black youths. ~~EARL DEVEAUX~~, President, United Black Students (UBS) at the University of Miami, present at Marxist-Leninist discussion held by HYMAN LUMER, but did not participate in discussion or indicate any interest in joining CP. No known CP members in UBS, University of Miami. FLA

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DETAILS:

I. COMMUNIST STRATEGY

At an enlarged meeting of the Miami Communist Party (CP) City Committee, held on November 20, 1969, a communication from WILLIAM PATTERSON, New York, New York, Chairman of the CPUSA Black Liberation Commission, was

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read, which urged everyone to write to Attorney General JOHN MITCHELL at Washington, D. C., requesting that the indictment against the eight persons being tried in Chicago, Illinois, for conspiracy to incite a riot during the 1968 Democratic Convention be dismissed and that the presiding judge be removed.

MM T-1
December 1, 1969

WILLIAM PATTERSON is Honorary Chairman of the New York District Communist Party and a member of the District Committee, according to MM T-2 on May 19, 1969.

GUS HALL was the principal speaker at a Miami CP meeting held on December 12, 1969, at Miami Beach, Florida. During the talk, HALL stressed very strongly the need to come to the aid of the Black Panthers who are under arrest. He said the CPUSA has always been in the front line fighting for the rights of black Americans and now more than ever support is needed against the genocide action of the U. S. Government regarding the Black Panther Party.

MM T-1
January 6, 1970

The Black Panther Party is characterized in the appendix.

The "Daily World", June 17, 1969, identified GUS HALL as General Secretary of the CPUSA.

The "Daily World" is an East Communist newspaper.

At a general membership meeting of the Miami CP held on January 25, 1970, HYMAN LUMER was the principal speaker and stated he was speaking for the CPUSA leadership in urging that the Miami CP develop all kinds of activities

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in support of the Black Panther Party and the defense of Black Panther Party members in trials in progress all over the United States.

MM T-1
February 3, 1970

HYMAN LUMER is National Education Director of the CPUSA and a member of the National Committee, according to MM T-3 on August 12, 1969.

The Miami CP members have been requested by their leaders to write or wire the President of the United States and Congressmen and to call their friends expressing outrage at the continuous harassment and arrest of Black Panther Party members and leaders.

MM T-4
January 13, 1970

It has been learned that the Miami Communist Party is going to concentrate on making a success of the Normandy Books and Records Store, located on Normandy Drive, Miami Beach, Florida, and owned and operated by two Miami CP members. In order to appeal to more of the radical militant element, it has been decided to attempt to obtain a noted black Marxist speaker for an affair to request funds for this book store. It is hoped that such a speaker will attract both black and white youths into contact with the book store and its Marxist literature and eventually bring them into the Communist Party.

MM T-1
January 19, 1970

Although the Miami CP has indicated an interest in being involved with black organizations in order to increase its membership, there has been no specific organizational activity in this direction. It is hoped that the recent formation of a Communist Party Youth Club will create activity to make young black people aware of the CP and draw them eventually into the Communist Party.

MM T-4
February 4, 1970

II. COMMUNIST TACTICS

No additional information developed.

III. COMMUNIST PENETRATION AND INFLUENCE
IN RACIAL AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

United Black Students
University of Miami

During the evening of January 24, 1970, HYMAN LUMER from New York City addressed a group of young people at the residence of [redacted]
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Member of Communist Party

Among those present was EARL DEVEAUX, President of the United Black Students (UBS) at the University of Miami, Coral Gables, Florida.

LUMER discussed Marxist-Leninist principles, problems of the black and white working class, and the founding convention of a new Marxist-Leninist youth organization, scheduled to take place at Chicago, Illinois, in the near future.

EARL DEVEAUX did not participate in any of the discussion or ask any questions of LUMER.

MM T-5
January 25, 1970

[redacted] is a member of the Miami Communist Party City Committee and Chairman of a Communist Party Youth Club, according to MM T-4 on January 13, 1970.

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It was learned that a black student from the University of Miami recently attended one of HYMAN LUMER's classes on Marxism-Leninism at the home of [redacted] however, this student took no part in the discussion and did not indicate further interest either in attending additional classes of a similar nature or in joining the Communist Party.

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MM T-4
February 5, 1970

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As of late August, 1969, the UBS at the University of Miami had a membership of thirty-nine. The members meet weekly at the Afro-Center in the Student Union at the University.

MM T-5
September 11, 1969

EARL DEVEAUX was elected Vice President of the UBS at the University of Miami on October 10, 1969.

MM T-6
October 14, 1969

The objectives of the UBS are to unite the black students at the University of Miami and increase the number of black students and courses in black culture and history. Members vary greatly in attitude regarding black nationalism and militancy, with the majority holding a moderate view. There are no known CP members in the UBS and no apparent interest by the UBS in the CP.

The UBS appears to be drifting toward the teachings of the Black Panther Party and Black Panther Party literature is on display and available to all UBS members.

MM T-6
November 3, 1969 - January 9, 1970

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION IN RACIAL MATTERS
RACIAL MATTER; INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST

On February 12, 1970, a confidential source advised that during the forepart of February, 1970, Ralph D. Abernathy, President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), discussed with his [redacted] some administrative problems confronting SCLC. At one point in this discussion [redacted] abruptly commented it seemed to her that for some time, even before the death of Martin Luther King, Jr., former President, SCLC, that SCLC was not always "run from Atlanta". (S)(u)

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Abernathy immediately acknowledged the validity of [redacted] comment and at the same time lamented "and I detest Stanley Levison". (S)(u)

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Reference Memorandum from FBI, Atlanta, dated
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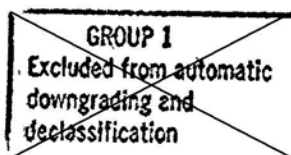
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Title: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS

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Synopsis: Communist Party (CP) to open an office in Chicago, Illinois as a headquarters from which the CP will attempt to form a Black Panther Party (BPP) Defense Committee. CP District leaders received instructions to solicit support of local prominent Negro and white persons and organizations in order to gain wide support by the use of the names of these prominent people and organizations. District leaders advised that the CP will not solicit cooperation by using the CP name, but by using the BPP name. During CP District Board meeting held during 9/69, it was brought out that Trade Union organization by the CP was of the utmost importance in view of the fact that black workers were forming their own groups within the unions, which was causing a split in the rank and file workers and would be harmful to the CP policy of Negro and white unity. Local CP members distributed an issue of the "Daily World" that concerned organization of hospital workers. The distribution was made in the vicinity of Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, where an effort was being made to organize hospital workers at that hospital. Confidential informants report no other CP penetration or influence in racial matters.

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DETAILS:

I. COMMUNIST STRATEGY

A. COMMUNIST PARTY, USA (CPUSA)

1. ^SCHARLENE MITCHELL of the CPUSA Black Liberation Commission, stated that she and WILLIAM PATTERSON of the New York CP, are going to open an office at 417 East 47th Street, Chicago, Illinois, as a headquarters from which the CP will attempt to form a Black Panther Party (BPP) Defense Committee and organize for a BPP Defense Committee conference on March 7-8, 1970.

A characterization of the BPP is appended hereto.

MITCHELL instructed CP District leaders to solicit the support of local prominent Negro and white persons and organizations for the above conference in their respective districts throughout the United States and direct their accomplishments to the above mentioned Chicago Office. MITCHELL stated that funds should be solicited. She stated that the CP wishes to gain wide support for this committee and conference through the use of the names of prominent persons and organizations. MITCHELL said that the CP, however, will not solicit cooperation by using the CP name, but by using the BPP name. MITCHELL further stated that the CP is organizing this committee and conference for the BPP.

(BA T-1 on January 20, 1970)

2. During a CP District Board meeting held on September 2, 1969, at 8 East Pleasant Street, Baltimore, Maryland, [redacted] CP member, stated that Trade Union organization by the Party was of the utmost importance. He said that he was concerned with the fact that black workers were forming their own groups within the unions which was causing a split in the rank and file workers. [redacted] felt that this would be harmful to the CP policy of Negro and white unity.

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On September 8, 1969, [redacted] CP member and [redacted] of the New Era Book Shop, Incorporated (NEBS), stated that he had received 150 copies of the issue of the "Daily World" that concerned organization of hospital workers at Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Maryland. [redacted] stated that several CP members were going to pass out these copies of the "Daily World" to workers at the hospital on September 10, 1969.

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(BA T-2 on October 15, 1969)

A characterization of the NEBS is appended hereto.

The "Daily World" is an east coast Communist newspaper.

On September 10, 1969, two CP members were observed distributing copies of the "Daily World" in the doorways of homes on Rutland Avenue, near John Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore.

(BA T-1 on October 15, 1969)

During a meeting of a club of the CP of Maryland held in Baltimore on September 10, 1969, a discussion was held concerning the distribution of the "Daily World". It was learned that one distribution of the "Daily World" had been made to passersby in the vicinity of Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore. [redacted] stated that this distribution had been of an old copy of the "Daily World", and that it was planned to make additional distributions near the hospital, which might help with the organization of hospital workers at that hospital.

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B. OTHER COMMUNIST GROUPS

No information developed.

II. COMMUNIST TACTICS

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III. COMMUNIST PENETRATION AND INFLUENCE IN RACIAL AND
OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

BA T-1, BA T-2, BA T-3, BA T-4, BA T-5, BA T-6, BA T-7, BA T-8 and BA T-9, who are familiar with various phases of CP activity within the Baltimore Division, and BA T-10, BA T-11, BA T-12, BA T-13 and BA T-14, who are familiar with various phases of activity within the racial movement, were contacted during January, 1970. These contacts failed to reflect any information in addition to that reported elsewhere in this report, indicating any significant Communist influence in racial matters within the Baltimore Division.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

No information developed.

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Also Known As
Black Panther Party for Self-Defense

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~~Include in the introduction to an article appearing~~
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On May 5, 1969, a second source advised that since June, 1963, the New Era Book Shop, Incorporated, has been located at 408 Park Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland. It continues to be operated under the complete control and domination of the Communist Party, USA. [redacted] Communist Party member, is [redacted] the Book Shop.

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Baltimore, Maryland 21202

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February 17, 1970

BA 100-23443

Title	COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
Character	INTERNAL SECURITY - C
Reference	Baltimore report of SA CHARLES LONTOR dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 2/18/70

FROM : SAC, MEMPHIS (100-4070) (P*)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
(CIRM)
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OO: New York

Re Memphis letter to Bureau dated 11/20/69.

This letter is submitted in lieu of a quarterly report during the quarter 11/1/69 - 1/31/70.

During this quarter the Memphis Division has developed no information concerning CIRM within the territory covered by the Memphis Division. Any subsequent information developed in this regard will be handled and reported in accordance with existing Bureau instructions.

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Mr. Conrad	✓
Mr. Felt	✓
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Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Sullivan	✓
Mr. Tavel	✓
Mr. Soyars	✓
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Miss Holmes	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)
 FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-27056)
 RE: 0 COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
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On 2/17/70 [] furnished a report covering a Communist Party (CP) meeting that had been held in Cleveland on 2/11/70 to discuss possible racism that exists within the CP.

During the meeting the CP view toward the Black Panthers was discussed. Both PHILIP BART and [] spoke strongly in support of the Black Panthers, and said that while they did not agree with some of the Black Panthers' methods, nevertheless, they supported the BPP because of its Marxist-Leninist approach. Both [] and BART disagreed with the Panthers wanting to take up arms, but felt that they had a right to use guns to protect themselves if necessary. At this point, [] new Organizational Secretary of the Ohio CP, disagreed with [] and BART, and [] pointed out that the BPP does not advocate the use of guns, except for self-defense; and that the Black Panthers would even expell their own members who advocate armed rebellion.

At this point [] stated that when

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he was in Chicago at the Youth Organizing Convention on February 7-9, 1970, CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT told him that the FBI is doing some of the bombings that the Black Panthers are accused of. [] said, "When CLAUDE first started telling me this, I thought he was way off. But after he finished explaining, I had to agree with him".

[] stated that the others at this meeting agreed with CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT.

Above is furnished for Bureau's information as this may be a view or tactic that the CP may try to exploit.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-47672)

SUBJECT: CIRM
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ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN OTHERWISE. ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) OF DATE 10/26/90

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are nine copies of a self-explanatory LHM concerning the Emergency Conference for Defense of The Black Panther Party, 3/7-8/70 at Chicago, Ill. Copies are also being forwarded to New York and Chicago.

The source utilized is [redacted] (U)

The enclosed LHM is classified "~~Confidential~~" since the data reported by this source, if revealed, could reasonably result in the disclosure of a confidential source of continuing value and compromise the future effectiveness thereof.

[redacted] obtained this information from [redacted] CPEPD but this was not set forth to further protect the source. Source could furnish no additional information. (U)

Wider dissemination will be made upon receipt of a written statement.

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EMERGENCY CONFERENCE FOR THE
DEFENSE OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY
March 7-8, 1970, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

On February 16, 1970, a confidential source advised a petition campaign for the defense of the Black Panther Party (BPP) has been initiated by the CPUSA. Efforts are being made to have prominent individuals sign the petition. The Emergency Conference for the Defense of the Black Panther Party is scheduled to be held in Chicago, Illinois, on March 7 and 8, 1970. This conference will serve as the "kick-off" in the fight for defense of the BPP and the CP is attempting to get over seven hundred people to attend it. (C)

A characterization of the Black Panther Party is attached. (Appendix Section)

The petition being circulated in Philadelphia has already been signed by Katherine Camp, National President of Women's International League for Peace and Freedom; Reverend Paul Washington, an Episcopalian minister who has been active in civil rights matters and in black militant type organizations; [redacted] a member of the Steering Committee of the Student Mobilization Committee; [redacted] a leader of the hospital workers union; and [redacted] of the Retail Clerks Union. III

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A characterization of the Student Mobilization Committee is attached (Appendix Section).

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STUDENT MOBILIZATION COMMITTEE, aka
Student Mobilization Committee to End
the War in Vietnam;
National Student Mobilization Committee

A source advised on May 16, 1969 that the Student Mobilization Committee originally grew out of the National Student Strike for Peace conference held in Chicago, Illinois, on December 28-29, 1966; which resulted in a call for massive antiwar demonstrations in New York City and San Francisco, California, on April 15, 1967. The National Student Strike for Peace was originally called by the Communist Party. Divisions arose between elements of the Communist Party and the Socialist Workers Party (SWP), culminating in a takeover by the SWP element in the Summer of 1968 and the Communist Party element withdrawing. Source further advised the Student Mobilization Committee locally and nationally is controlled by the SWP and its youth arm, Young Socialist Alliance (YSA), as evidenced by their participation in Student Mobilization Committee functions and their leadership role played in the Student Mobilization Committee.

The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

A report by the Committee on Un-American Activities, House of Representatives, Ninetieth Congress, First Session, dated March 31, 1967, entitled "Communist Origin and Manipulation of Vietnam Week (April 8-15, 1967)" stated that the Student Mobilization Committee and the April 15, 1967, anti-war demonstrations were communist dominated and inspired.

A second source on April 3, 1969, made available a copy of "The Student Mobilizer" dated April 5, 1969, which was self-described as being published by the National Office of the Student Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam, 857 Broadway, Room 307, New York, New York 10003. In this issue the aims of the Student Mobilization Committee were set forth as: Bring the GIs home from Vietnam now; end campus complicity with the war; and win self-determination for Vietnam and Black America.

In this issue of the publication, the Student Mobilization Committee pledged itself to organize high school students, college students, future draftees, GIs and all young people to fight until every last GI is brought home.

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A third source on August 5, 1969 advised that the Student Mobilization Committee currently occupies Room 307 at 857 Broadway, New York, New York.

A characterization of YSA is attached hereto.

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YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE

A source advised on May 15, 1969, that the Young Socialist Alliance (YSA) maintains its national headquarters at 41 Union Square West, New York, New York, and has as its official publication the "Young Socialist." The YSA is the youth organization of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) and has been described by the SWP as the main recruiting ground for the SWP.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)
FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (100-23443) P
SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
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Re Baltimore airtel to the Bureau, dated 1/21/70;
and Bureau airtel to Baltimore and Chicago, dated 1/30/70.

On 2/3/70, [redacted] was recontacted in accordance
with instructions set forth in referenced Bureau airtel and
re-interviewed concerning the part the Communist Party (CP)
was to play in the office to be set up at 417 East 47th
Street, Chicago, Illinois. (U)

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[redacted] stated that he received his information
concerning the above office at the Black Liberation meeting
held by the CP, USA, NYC, on 1/19/70. He stated that CHARLENE
MITCHELL addressed this meeting and stated that she and
WILLIAM L. PATTERSON were going to Chicago to open an office
at 417 East 47th Street, Chicago, to assist in forming a
National Black Panther Party (BPP) Defense Committee. She
stated that a call would be sent out by the end of the week
by mail asking all CP Districts to do whatever they possibly
could to obtain sponsorship for a National Conference to be
held in Chicago, March 8-9, 1970, for the purpose of setting
up a permanent National Defense Committee for the BPP. (U)

[redacted] said that these statements made by MITCHELL
at the Black Liberation meeting, set out above, represented
all of the information that he had concerning the above office
and the part the CP was to play in setting up this office. (U)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

FROM : G. C. Moore

SUBJECT: EMERGENCY CONFERENCE TO
DEFEND THE RIGHTS OF THE
BLACK PANTHER PARTY TO EXIST
RACIAL MATTERS

1 - Mr. D. DeLoach
1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: February 19, 1970

1 - Mr. T. E. Bishop
1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan
1 - Mr. G. C. Moore
1 - Mr. C. E. Glass
1 - Mr. C. A. Ferguson

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This is to advise of efforts on part of the Communist Party (CP) to hold captioned conference to rally to the defense of the extremist Black Panther Party (BPP) and is an additional indication of its continuing support of this black revolutionary group.

Plans are currently being formulated through the CP for an emergency conference to be held 3/6-8/70 at the Church of the Epiphany, 201 South Ashland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. The aim of the conference, according to one of the leaders, is not to start a national organization but to dramatize anti-repression activities throughout the country and to fight for the right of the BPP to exist. Literature issued by the CP of Illinois contains such CP line phrases as the conference "Can Be The Beginning Of The Fight-Back To Maintain The Basic Rights Of ALL AMERICANS," "Defend The Black Panther Party - The First Line Of The Defense Of Democracy," "We Must Stop The Panther Annihilation Now" and "We Must Join Together Before IT IS TOO LATE."

Individuals named as co-chairmen include Angie Dickerson, national CP figure; Ossie Davis, Dick Gregory and Father James Groppi, all nationally known civil rights leaders and Bobby Rush, Deputy Minister of Defense, Illinois BPP. Coordinator for the entire project is Lorean Poindexter, former CP member.

Information regarding the proposed conference has been furnished to the Inter-Division Information Unit, Internal Security Division and Special Interdivisional Unit of the Department, Secret Service and military intelligence agencies.

In order to insure that we fully develop information concerning the conference, the attached airtel alerts pertinent offices to the conference and contains instructions for Chicago regarding coverage.

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Memorandum to Mr. W. C. Sullivan
RE: EMERGENCY CONFERENCE TO
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BLACK PANTHER PARTY TO EXIST

ACTION:

Attached for your approval is an airtel to pertinent
offices alerting them to the forthcoming conference.

[Handwritten signatures and initials: "Z", "H", "J", "W", "OK", "A", "D", "K"]

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FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-47672)

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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are nine copies of an LHM concerning the relationship existing between the Black Panther Party (BPP) and the CPUSA. Copies are being forwarded to New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, and Cleveland, and San Francisco.

The LHM bears the return address of Washington, D.C., to further protect the identity of [redacted]. The LHM is classified "~~confidential~~" since the data furnished by [redacted] if revealed, could reasonably result in the identification of a confidential source of continuing value and compromise the future effectiveness thereof. (U)

Utmost care should be utilized in the dissemination of this information since only [redacted] and source were parties in this conversation. (U)

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 - 1 - 157- (BPP)
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- 1 - San Francisco (Enc. 1) (RM)
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EMERGENCY CONFERENCE FOR THE DEFENSE
OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY
MARCH 7-8, 1970
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

On February 25, 1970, a confidential source advised that during the month of January 1970 Charlene Mitchell, a member of the National Committee, Communist Party, USA (CPUSA), was heard discussing the relationship that exists between the Black Panther Party (BPP) and the Communist Party (CP) (U)

A characterization of the BPP is attached.

According to Mitchell, the Communist Party and the BPP work very closely together. The Panthers consider themselves as a Marxist-Leninist organization and the Communist Party holds them in high esteem. The Communist Party and the BPP work closely on many issues. There appears to be a mutual understanding that the BPP will cooperate with the Communist Party on a state level. This has already been experienced in California and Chicago (U)

Although there exist matters of common interest, the Communist Party has been careful not to consider the BPP as the voice of all the black people. There has been some discussion within the ranks of the BPP that it might merge with the Communist Party. Although this matter has not been discussed openly by the leaders of the Communist Party, it is felt that the black CP members would fight for this merger should the question arise. The CP will support and defend the BPP (U)

Mitchell stated the CP in California has invited BPP members to meetings of some of their clubs, particularly those comprised of black members. The CP members in other areas of the country should have no fear of revealing their CP affiliations to any chapter or members of the BPP. Also, the CP and the BPP have discussed the possibility of the BPP moving its national office to New York (U)

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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Character INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST

Reference Memorandum, Washington, D.C., dated and
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From: SAC, Cleveland (100-27056) (P)
Subject: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
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Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies of an LHM, captioned and dated as above, showing Communist Party efforts to gain influence in and/or control the Emergency Conference to Defend the Right of the Black Panther Party to Exist (ECDRBPPE). Three copies of the LHM are enclosed for New York, two copies for Chicago, and three copies for San Francisco.

The following sources were used in enclosed LHM:

First Source: [redacted]

Second Source: [redacted]

Third Source: [redacted]

- 1cc airtel LHM 836 94D EX 110 REC 85 100-44 2529-3036
- ③ - Bureau (Enc. 9) (RM)
 - 2 - Chicago (Enc. 2) (RM)
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February 26, 1970

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On February 25, 1970, a source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished a throwaway announcing an "Emergency Conference to Defend the Right of the Black Panther Party to Exist," this conference to be held on March 7 and 8, 1970, at the Church of the Epiphany, 201 South Ashland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. Among the several hundred listed sponsors of this conference are "Dr. HERBERT APTHEKER, Bryn Mawr College, New York, New York. . . DAVID HILLIARD, Chief of Staff, Black Panther Party, Berkeley, California . . . CHARLENE MITCHELL, Black Liberation Committee, CPUSA, New York . . . WILLIAM L. PATTERSON, Co-Chairman, Black Liberation Committee, CPUSA, New York . . . CLAUDE M. LIGHTFOOT, Co-Chairman, Black Liberation Committee, CPUSA. . . ."

The source advised on February 24, 1970, that at a Communist Party (CP) sponsored meeting held in Akron, Ohio, on February 18, 1970, there was discussion of this Chicago conference, and the statement was made that a group of blacks in Akron claims to have at least forty persons going to this conference from Akron. Of those present at this CP meeting, only one indicated he planned to attend this Chicago conference.

Source further advised that a Cedar Central CP Club

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meeting was held in Cleveland on February 19, 1970, with PHILIP BART, Chairman, Ohio CP, being present, although he is not a member of this club. BART came to this meeting for the purpose of discussing the Chicago conference, and he wants every CP member in Cleveland to contact as many people as possible in an effort to get them to go to the Chicago conference.

Source reported on February 25, 1970, that on February 21, 1970, [] Secretary, Ohio CP, asked one of the Negro CP members to contact Negroes, both youths and adults, to get them to go to Chicago. [] particularly wanted ROBERT JACKSON talked to, to see if he will go.

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Source further reported on February 25, 1970, that as of February 23, 1970, [] was in Cleveland. [] said he was from Berkeley, California, but had been living in New York City since Thanksgiving 1969. [] wanted to visit former Negro CP members and other Negroes he might interest in the CP.

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Among those [] talked to was ROBERT JACKSON, and they discussed the status of the Black Panther Party in Cleveland. During discussion of the Chicago conference, JACKSON said he would either try to go to the conference in Chicago or get someone else to go. [] left Cleveland on February 24, 1970.

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A second source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on February 20, 1970, that ROBERT JACKSON is the leader in Cleveland, Ohio, of the National Committee to Combat Fascism, which is synonymous with the Black Panther Party. This second source said JACKSON claims to have been contacted on several occasions by CP members and by Socialist Workers Party (SWP) members. JACKSON claims both the CP and the SWP are trying to use the black people, and he has no interest in either group. According to source, JACKSON commented on February 20, 1970, that "people" had asked him to go to the Chicago conference, but that he did not plan to attend.

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BLACK PANTHER PARTY

A characterization of the Black Panther Party is attached hereto.

HERBERT APTHEKER

A third source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on September 11, 1968, that HERBERT APTHEKER is a leading theoretician of the CPUSA and a member of its National Committee

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The third source advised on May 6, 1969, that [REDACTED] was elected to the National Committee of the CPUSA at its 19th National Convention, held April 30 to May 3, 1969.

SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY

The SWP has been cited by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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Re CV airtel to Bureau, 2/26/70.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 9 copies and for NY and CG 2 copies each of an LHM indicating CP control of the Emergency Conference to Defend the Right of the Black Panther Party to Exist. (ECDRBPPE)

Source used in LHM is

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

Cleveland, Ohio
March 3, 1970

COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS

Reference is made to Cleveland memorandum dated
February 26, 1970.

A source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on February 27, 1970, that Philip Bart, Chairman of the Ohio Communist Party (CP), has been discussing the need for sending people to the Emergency Conference to Defend the Right of the Black Panther Party to Exist, which conference is scheduled to be held in Chicago, Illinois, on March 7 and 8, 1970. Bart has also arranged for the solicitation of funds with the money to be used to send those who cannot afford to go at their own expense.

On February 26, 1970, during the course of discussing these problems, the comment was made by one of the CP members that it did not appear there would be many Black Panther Party members present at this conference. This CP member wondered why the Black Panthers were not more interested in the conference, since it was for their benefit. Philip Bart replied in effect: "This conference is not a conference of the Black Panthers. We don't have the Black Panthers in our pocket yet, for while they have a Marxist approach, there are still some differences."

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The first source referred to is [] who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity must be protected. The second source is []
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Cleveland, Ohio
March 12, 1970

COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN
RACIAL MATTERS

Reference is made to Cleveland memorandum dated
March 3, 1970.

On March 11, 1970, a source who has furnished
reliable information in the past, advised that Cleveland
Communist Party members who had attended the Emergency
Conference to Defend the Right of the Black Panther Party
to Exist (ECDRBPPE), held in Chicago, Illinois, on March 7 - 8,
1970, had reported that there were approximately 540 persons
present and that approximately 40% of them were Negro.

It was also reported that several workshops
were held and led by Charlene Mitchell, Claude Lightfoot,
and William Patterson among others.

CHARLENE MITCHELL

Charlene Mitchell was described in "The
Worker", an East Coast Communist newspaper
on July 14, 1968, as the candidate in the
Communist Party (CP) U.S.A. for President
of the U. S. and as the field secretary of
the parties commission on black liberation.

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT

A second source advised on May 6, 1969, that
Claude Lightfoot was elected a member of the
National Committee on the CP, USA, at its
National Convention held April 30, 1969, to
May 3, 1969, in New York City.

WILLIAM PATTERSON

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A third source on May 19, 1969, advised that WILLIAM L. PATTERSON, was the Honorary Chairman of the New York City CP, and a member of the District Committee.

The first source referred to in paragraph one further advised on March 11, 1970, that 38 persons attended the conference from Akron, Ohio, all of whom were sponsored by the Black Student Union or the Black United Students. This source further advised that the Ohio CP Secretary, [REDACTED] who was in attendance at the Chicago Convention, had stated that the CP was the "instigator of this conference". He also stated that the only unpleasant remark at the meeting was when the Black Panthers leader Hilliard remarked, "we do not need the CP to tell us whether we can exist or not". Lightfoot then indicated that just because of Hilliard's remarks the CP must not stop fighting for the rights of the Black Panthers.

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION IN RACIAL
MATTERS;
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On March 4, 1970, a confidential source advised he had learned that during the latter part of February, 1970, Ralph D. Abernathy, President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), received a letter from [redacted] Historian, SCLC, suggesting that SCLC consider terminating the services of Andrew J. Young, Executive Vice President, SCLC. [redacted] pointed out that for an appreciable time Young has not made any material contribution to SCLC, and in view of the Congressional campaign in which Young intends to participate, it must be assumed he will not contribute to SCLC for some time. In his letter, [redacted] rather bluntly told Abernathy that SCLC should be concerned with obtaining more tangible returns from Young in respect to the \$12,000.00 annual salary which Young receives. (U)

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On September 17, 1943, a confidential source advised she had learned that [redacted] who was then Director of the Schomburg Library, 103 W. 135th Street, New York City, was one of the most important unpublicized members of the Communist Party (CP). She stated that [redacted] seemed to be a source of information in regard to socialism and communism in the United States and the Soviet Union.

A confidential source on March 23, 1951, said that he met [redacted] in 1943, through [redacted] a staff member of the "Daily Worker" and that both [redacted] and BENJAMIN J. DAVIS advised him that [redacted] was at that time a member of the CP. The source also said that [redacted] was an instructor at the George Washington Carver School.

The "Daily Worker" was an east coast communist newspaper, which suspended publication on January 13, 1958.

The Georgia Washington Carver School has been designated by the U. S. Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

On February 5, and 11, 1954, [redacted] [redacted] was interviewed by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Atlanta, Georgia. He, at that time, stated that he was not, and had never been, a member of, or a sympathizer with, the Communist Party.

On January 21, 1964, a confidential source advised that on January 18, 1964, [redacted] visited with BENJAMIN J. DAVIS at the home of JACOB GREEN, State Chairman of the CP in Maryland. During conversation between [redacted] and DAVIS, it was mentioned that they had attended school together in Georgia and [redacted] commented that if he had stayed with DAVIS, he would have also joined the CP.

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BENJAMIN J. DAVIS

A confidential source advised on January 21, 1964, that as of that date, BENJAMIN J. DAVIS was National Secretary of the CP, USA.

"The New York Times," August 24, 1964, page 27, column 4, reports that BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, National Secretary, CP, USA, died in New York City on the night of August 22, 1964.

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CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE;
COMMUNIST INFILTRATION IN RACIAL
MATTERS

Character RACIAL MATTERS; INTERNAL SECURITY -
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Reference Memorandum, dated and captioned as
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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

FROM : G. C. Moore

SUBJECT: MASS MEDIA PROGRAM
(BLACK PANTHER PARTY)

1 - Mr. C. D. DeLoach
1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
1 - Mr. T. E. Bishop

DATE: March 5, 1970

1 - Mr. G. C. Moore
1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan
1 - Mr. H. E. Helgeson
1 - Mr. A. B. Fulton
1 - Mr. C. A. Ferguson

1 - Mr. D. Ryan

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This is to recommend that attached memorandum be furnished by the Crime Records Division on a confidential basis to established news media sources.

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Plans are being formulated through the Communist Party, USA (CPUSA) for an emergency conference called "Emergency Conference to Defend The Rights Of The Black Panther Party To Exist," to be held 3/6-8/70 in Chicago. The aim of the conference is to dramatize anti-repression activities throughout the country and to fight for the right of the violence-prone, black extremist Black Panther Party (BPP) to exist.

Individuals named as cochairmen include Angie Dickerson, national CP figure; Ossie Davis, Dick Gregory and Father James Groppi, all nationally known civil rights leaders and Bobby Rush, chairman of the Illinois BPP. Coordinator for the entire project is Loreen Poindexter, former CP member.

The CPUSA has named Henry Winston, William Patterson, Charlene Mitchell, Claude Lightfoot and [redacted] as official CP delegates to the conference.

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The attached memorandum showing CP continuing support of the BPP be furnished to cooperative news media sources on a confidential basis by the Crime Records Division. 100-442529-

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March 6, 1970

**BLACK PANTHER PARTY -
 ANOTHER COMMUNIST PARTY FRONT GROUP?**

The Communist Party (CP) has involved itself with many organizations and front groups in the past when it was to its advantage and Moscow's to do so. The self-serving CP is hard at work again. It has formulated plans for a so-called national emergency conference to defend the "rights" of the violence-prone, black extremist, and pro-Marxist Black Panther Party (BPP) to exist. The CP feels it has finally found a cause celebre in the Panthers, which organization is not known to be intellectually bright and even at times on the stupid side. The CP visualizes the capitalizing on Negro support which previously had slipped through its hands principally by its white chauvinistic attitude. This conference, which is a good example of the CP at work, is billed as an "Emergency Conference To Defend The Rights of The Black Panther Party To Exist." In essence, the conference is nothing more than another CP front planned to utilize the ignorance of the BPP members.

Registration of the three-day conference will take place on March 6, 1970, at the Church of the Epiphany, 201 South Ashland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. The conference plans to focus on 1) the facts of the nationwide repression against the Panthers, 2) the repression of the Panthers as part of a developing pattern toward a police state, and 3) the ways and means to defend the rights of the BPP to exist.

The idea of this conference was initiated when about 25 individuals met at a Chicago motel on January 10, 1970. Among those present were entertainer Dick Gregory, actor Ossie Davis, Father James Groppi of Milwaukee, and Bobby Rush, chairman of the Illinois BPP. The CP was represented by prominent CP members William L. Patterson, Charlene Mitchell, and Ismael Flory.

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Literature regarding the conference shows Davis, Gregory, Father Groppi, Rush and Angie Dickerson as cochairmen. Dickerson was in East Berlin last June to attend the communist-sponsored World Assembly for Peace. Lorean Poindexter is the coordinator for the conference and established an office in the business office of her husband, David, at 417 East 47th Street, Chicago.

Among the initiating sponsors listed on literature issued by the Emergency Conference Committee, 417 East 47th Street, Chicago, are Reverend Dr. Ralph D. Abernathy of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Panther attorney Charles Garry, and Dr. Herbert Aptheker, CP theoretician.

NOTE:

See memorandum G. C. Moore to Mr. W. C. Sullivan, dated 3-5-70, captioned "Mass Media Program, (Black Panther Party,)" prepared by CAF:hls.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: March 31, 1970

FROM : SAC, Denver (100-8997) (P*)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
DENVER DIVISION
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Re Denver letter to Bureau dated 1/7/70.

No pertinent information has been brought to the attention of the Denver Division during the quarterly period from January 1, 1970, through March 31, 1970, regarding any communist influence in racial matters.

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Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan *9/9*

FROM : G. C. Moore *GCM*

SUBJECT: EMERGENCY CONFERENCE TO
DEFEND THE RIGHTS OF THE
BLACK PANTHER PARTY TO EXIST
RACIAL MATTERS

- 1 - Mr. C. D. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. T. E. Bishop

DATE: March 19, 1970

- 1 - Mr. C. D. Brennan
- 1 - Mr. G. C. Moore
- 1 - Mr. C. E. Glass
- 1 - Mr. C. A. Ferguson

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*AD 7/1/70
5- Ferguson*

This is to advise that captioned conference formulated through the Communist Party, United States of America (CPUSA), was held in Chicago on weekend 3/7-8/70 to rally to the defense of the extremist Black Panther Party (BPP) and to dramatize anti-repression activities.

Approximately 1,000 persons (40 percent black) attended the conference at Malcolm X. University. 540 registered as delegates representing 23 states and 128 organizations. Among CPUSA delegates included were Charlene Mitchell, William L. Patterson and Claude Lightfoot. David Hilliard, Chief of Staff of BPP attended and spoke each day regarding repression of the rights of minority groups.

A 34 member committee was named to form a permanent organization to be headquartered in New York City under the chairmanship of Angie Dickerson, who attended the Communist-sponsored World Assembly for Peace in East Berlin last June. A workshop on community action called for a national center and the establishment of a national newsletter and speaker's bureau; and a demonstration 7/4-6/70 at BPP trial in New Haven. A workshop on BPP National Defense Fund called for an organization to be founded in order to free all Panthers arrested through establishment of a bail fund. Various individuals and organizations pledged amounts ranging from \$25 to \$200. A workshop on racism and repression called for urban and regional conferences. [redacted] Sociology Department, Brandeis University, commented that we are at war in this country, that "the Left and minorities are enemies of the establishment." Ishmael Flory, member of Illinois CPUSA, called for a world conference on repression in 1970, place not indicated.

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Memorandum to Mr. W. C. Sullivan
RE: EMERGENCY CONFERENCE TO
DEFEND THE RIGHTS OF THE
BLACK PANTHER PARTY TO EXIST

At the conclusion of the conference on Sunday afternoon approximately 700, mostly black, attended a so-called "people's inquest" into the death of Chicago BPP leader Fred Hampton on 12-4-69 by police officers. This affair, which was held at the First Congregational Church, was a complete farce as to accuracy and details according to sources.

Pertinent information regarding conference has been included in summary to the White House, Vice President, Attorney General, Secret Service and military intelligence agencies.

ACTION:

None. For information.

[Handwritten signatures and initials: J, W, J, W, B, K, nm]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529) DATE: 4/15/70

FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (100-14539) (P*)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS (CIRM)
IS - C

Remylet 10/27/70.

This letter represents the quarterly report of the Cincinnati Division, due 3/27/70. A review of the file reveals that no information has been received concerning Communist influence in racial matters within the Cincinnati Division since referenced communication.

In view of above, no quarterly report is being submitted by Cincinnati at this time.

2 - Bureau (RM)
2 - Cincinnati

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Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and nine copies, and for New York and Chicago one copy of LHM, dated and captioned as above and suitable for dissemination.

Source referred to in enclosed LHM is [redacted] whose information was obtained from HOSEA WILLIAMS, Director, Voter Registration and Public Education, SCLC.

Source utilized to characterize STANLEY LEVISON is [NY 694-S].

Enclosed LHM is classified ~~secret~~ because it utilizes information from [NY 694-S].

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Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Atlanta, Georgia

April 6, 1970

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN
CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE;
RACIAL MATTERS; INTERNAL SECURITY - C

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION IN RACIAL
MATTERS;
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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On April 2, 1970, a confidential source advised he understood that the recent movie "King -- From Montgomery to Memphis" shown in many theaters on March 24, 1970, by the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) as a fund-raising measure had been generally successful. Net receipts from the showing of this film will be divided equally between Coretta S. King, widow of Martin Luther King, Jr., former President, SCLC, for the Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Center, and the Southern Christian Leadership Foundation (SCLF). Source stated he did not know who would be responsible for handling distribution of the money involved.

The SCLF is a "tax arm" of SCLC located in Chicago, Illinois. Stanley Levison assisted in the initial organization of SCLF, which operates under the general supervision of Chauncey Eskridge, SCLC Legal Counsel.

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Atlanta, Georgia

April 6, 1970

Title

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN
CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION IN RACIAL MATTERS

Character

RACIAL MATTERS; INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Reference

Memorandum, dated and captioned as
above, prepared at Atlanta.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable
information in the past.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 4/16/70

FROM : SAC, EL PASO (100-5860) (P*)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS

OO: NY

ReBulet to AL, 8/28/64;
EP letter to the Bureau, 1/27/70.

Contact has been maintained with informants and sources in the racial and security fields, and no information has been developed to indicate that the Communist Party has shown any interest in racial matters in the El Paso Division.

In view of the above, no quarterly report is being submitted by the El Paso Office.

②-Bureau (RM)
1-New York (Info) (RM)
1-El Paso

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15 APR 20 1970

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : *gme*
gpm DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

FROM : SAC, ALEXANDRIA (100-31) (C)

SUBJECT: *0* COMMUNIST INFLUENCE
IN RACIAL MATTERS
IS - C
OO: NEW YORK

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DATE: April 16, 1970

Re Alexandria letter to the Bureau dated 1/19/70.

There is no information available bearing upon communist influence in racial matters in the Alexandria Division.

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2 - New York (RM)
1 - Alexandria
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 4/20/70

FROM : SAC, PHOENIX (100-5951) (P*)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS

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00: New York

Remylet, 1/20/70.

The Phoenix Office has no information to report in this matter at the present time.

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1 - New York (RM)
1 - Phoenix
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE NORFOLK	OFFICE OF ORIGIN NEW YORK	DATE 4/17/70	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 4/10 - 4/14/70
TITLE OF CASE COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS		REPORT MADE BY SA LEMUEL W. KERR	TYPED BY jbd
		CHARACTER OF CASE IS - C; STAG	

REFERENCE: Norfolk report of SA LEMUEL W. KERR, 1/29/70.

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ADMINISTRATIVE DATA:

This report covers period 1/1/70 to 5/1/70.

Information copies are furnished Baltimore and Richmond because Baltimore and Richmond cover the CP district and CP State Headquarters respectively.

Norfolk, Baltimore and Richmond sources have reported, during the past year, that there are no known CP members residing in the Norfolk area. Also, no CP activity has been reported,

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Norfolk has investigated [redacted]
[redacted] and he was not recommended
for either the Security Index or the Agitator Index.

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This report is classified ~~confidential~~ because it contains information furnished by NF T-3 and NF T-5, security informants of continuing value. The unauthorized disclosure of the information might compromise their future effectiveness.

INFORMANT DATA:

NF T-1 is [redacted] and was contacted by SA HENRY A. WELKE,

NF T-2 is [redacted] -(concealed by request)
(Instant file)

NF T-3 is [redacted]

NF T-4 is [redacted]
(concealed by request) [redacted]

NF T-5 is [redacted]
[redacted]

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AT NORFOLK, VIRGINIA. Will follow and report
information developed.

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Copy to: 1 - NISO, Norfolk, Virginia (Registered Mail)
1 - OSI, Langley Air Force Base (Registered Mail)
1 - MIG, Norfolk, Virginia (Registered Mail)

Report of: SA LEMUEL W. KERR
Date: April 17, 1970

Office: Norfolk, Virginia

Field Office File #: 100-5921

Bureau File #: 100-442529

Title: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Synopsis: [redacted] continued as instructor at the predominately Negro Norfolk State College (NSC). [redacted] reportedly has not been too active, but has been interested in Black Student Union at NSC. [redacted] reportedly said he was to make talk at Kellam High School, Virginia Beach, Va., in early May on Black Panthers and he commented he would make them "look good".

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DETAILS

- I. COMMUNIST STRATEGY
No information developed.
- II. COMMUNIST TACTICS
No information developed.
- III. COMMUNIST PENETRATION AND INFLUENCE IN RACIAL AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

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On April 10, 1970, NF T-1 advised that [redacted] continued as an instructor at Norfolk State College (NSC), a predominately Negro college in Norfolk, Virginia. NF T-1 also advised that [redacted] frequently takes students on field trips and he has displayed interest in the Black Student Union. NF T-1 indicated that [redacted] had been generally quiet on the NSC campus in the recent past.

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NF T-1 also reported that [redacted] had not clashed with the NSC administration and [redacted] contract will probably be renewed for next semester.

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On April 14, 1970, NF T-2, a representative of another U. S. Government agency, reported that [redacted] was overheard to say that he was going to speak at the Floyd Kellam High School in Virginia Beach, Virginia, in early May, 1970, on the Black Panthers. According to NF T-2, [redacted] said he was going to make the Black Panthers "look good".

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[redacted]
On February 16, 1950, [redacted] voluntarily advised representatives of the FBI in New York City that he joined the Communist Party (CP) in Quincy, Massachusetts, in 1942. [redacted] said he attended a CP convention in Boston, Massachusetts, in either 1942 or 1943; and in 1946, he [redacted] was offered the position of organizer for the CP in Cumberland, Maryland, which he accepted. [redacted] said he resigned from the CP by mail, but was later reinstated at his own request and after about two months, he resigned again. At that time (1947) [redacted] said he received a notice that he had been expelled from the CP.

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At the outset of the interview in 1950, [redacted] stated [redacted] had broken with CP in Baltimore, Maryland, sometime during 1947 and at that time (1950), he had no sympathy whatsoever with the CP.

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On January 15, 1969, NF T-3, who is familiar with some phases of CP activity in the Baltimore, Maryland, area, advised that [redacted] were CP members in Maryland during the period immediately following World War II.

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NF T-3 recalled that [] was a white male, large build and drove a taxi. NF T-3 recalled also that [] left the CP sometime around 1948 after he had an argument with the CP organizer for the State of Maryland.

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On July 17, 1968, NF T-4 advised that []

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On September 19, 1968, NF T-5 reported that []

[] was considered a member of the Young Socialist Alliance (YSA) in the New York City area as of February, 1968.

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A Characterizations of the YSA and the BPP are attached as an appendix to this report.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

No information to report.

YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE

A source advised on May 15, 1969, that the Young Socialist Alliance (YSA) maintains its national headquarters at 41 Union Square West, New York, New York, and has as its official publication the "Young Socialist." The YSA is the youth organization of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) and has been described by the SWP as the main recruiting ground for the SWP.

The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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APPENDIX

BLACK PANTHER PARTY
Also Known As
Black Panther Party for Self-Defense

According to its official newspaper, the Black Panther Party (BPP) was started during December, 1966, in Oakland, California, to organize black people so they can take control of the life, politics and the destiny of the black community. It was organized by Bobby Seale, BPP Chairman, and Huey P. Newton, BPP Minister of Defense. Newton was sentenced in 1968 to serve two to fifteen years after being convicted of manslaughter in connection with the killing of an Oakland police officer.

The official newspaper, "The Black Panther," which further describes itself as the "Black Community News Service," states that the BPP advocates the use of guns and guerrilla tactics in its revolutionary program to end oppression of the black people. Residents of the black community are urged to arm themselves against the police who are consistently referred to in the publication as "pigs" who should be killed.

"The Black Panther" issue of September 7, 1968, contains an editorial by BPP Minister of Education, George Mason Murray, which ends with the following:

"Black men. Black people, colored persons of America, revolt everywhere! Arm yourselves. The only culture worth keeping is a revolutionary culture. Change. Freedom everywhere. Dynamite! Black Power. Use the gun. Kill the pigs everywhere."

Included in the introduction to an article appearing in the October 5, 1968, edition of "The Black Panther" is the statement, "...we will not dissent from American Government. We will overthrow it."

Issues of "The Black Panther" regularly contain quotations from the writings of Chairman Mao Tse-tung of the People's Republic of China and feature Mao's statement that "political power grows out of the barrel of a gun."

The national headquarters of the BPP is located at 3106 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley, California. Branches have been established at various locations throughout the United States.

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File No.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Norfolk, Virginia
April 17, 1970

Title COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN
 RACIAL MATTERS

Character INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Reference Report of Special Agent LEMUEL
 W. KERR, dated and captioned
 as above at Norfolk, Virginia.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 4/17/70

FROM : SAC, LAS VEGAS (100-263) (C)

SUBJECT: CIRM
IS - C

Re Las Vegas letter dated 1/23/70.

No evidence has been developed or received to indicate Communist influence in racial matters in the Las Vegas Division. No information has been received of influence in racial matters in Nevada at this time by any subversive organization or individual.

In the event information is developed indicating such influence, reports will be submitted in compliance with Bureau instructions.

- 2-Bureau (RM)
1 - New York (information) (RM)
1-Las Vegas

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 4/20/70

FROM : SAC, JACKSONVILLE (100-670) (P*)

SUBJECT: CIRM
IS - C
(OO: New York)

Re Jacksonville letter to Bureau, 1/15/70.

This office has no information to report in captioned matter.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

FROM : SAC, KNOXVILLE (100-3520) (RUC)

SUBJECT: CIRM
IS - C
(OO: New York)

DATE: 4/22/70

Re Knoxville letter to Bureau, 1/14/70.

No information has been received by Knoxville Office from any sources indicating there is any Communist influence being exerted in racial matters in this division.

Any information of a pertinent nature concerning this subject received in the future will be reported.

This letter is being transmitted in lieu of a quarterly report.

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② - Bureau (RM)
1 - Knoxville

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 4-23-70

FROM : SAC, KANSAS CITY (100-11934) (P*)

SUBJECT: CIRM

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ReBulet to Albany 8-28-64 and Kansas City letter to the Bureau 1-20-70.

No information has been developed in captioned matter within the Kansas City Division since date of referenced Kansas City letter. Therefore, no report is being submitted.

2 - Bureau (100-442529) (RM) EX-112
2 - New York (RM)
1 - Kansas City (100-11934)
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 4/22/70

FROM : SAC, SACRAMENTO (100-138)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE
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ReSClet to Bureau, 1/28/70.

No information has been received subsequent to relet indicating any Communist influence in racial matters in the Sacramento Division.

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- ② - Bureau (RM)
 - 1 - New York (100-153735) (RM)
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE JACKSON	OFFICE OF ORIGIN NEW YORK	DATE 4/23/70	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 3/2/70 - 4/8/70
TITLE OF CASE COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS (CIRM)		REPORT MADE BY SA DANIEL J. CONNELL	TYPED BY bal
		CHARACTER OF CASE IS - C	

REFERENCES:

Jackson reports of SA DANIEL J. CONNELL, dated 4/30/69, 7/14/69, 10/6/69 and 1/15/70.

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LEAD:JACKSON DIVISIONAT JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

Will continue to follow and report any Communist influence in racial matters in the State of Mississippi.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED						☒ NONE	ACQUIT- TALS	CASE HAS BEEN:	
CONVIC	AUTO.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES	PENDING OVER ONE YEAR		☐ YES ☒ NO	PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS
APPROVED: <i>[Signature]</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE							DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW		
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INFORMANTS:

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Copies of this report are designated to appropriate intelligence agencies in compliance with Bureau instructions with this regard.

It is noted that the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party (MFDP) and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) continue to be the only legitimate civil rights organizations presently active in the State of Mississippi. There is no evidence of any Communist influence in these organizations at the present time.

mentioned in report, is on the Agitator and Security Indexes in the Jackson Division.

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Information contained in this report is classified ~~confidential~~ to protect the identity of JN T-1 and JN T-2, sources of continuing value whose identities, if disclosed, would undermine their future effectiveness.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Copy to: 1 - NISO-CHASN (RM)
1 - OSI, Barksdale AFB, Louisiana (RM)
2 - MIGp, Jackson (RM)

Report of: SA DANIEL J. CONNELL
Date: APRIL 23, 1970

Office: JACKSON

Field Office File #: 100-57

Bureau File #: 100-442529

Title: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE
IN RACIAL MATTERS (CIRM)

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNISM

Synopsis: No information developed of Communist strategy or tactics.
Information concerning Southern Conference Educational Fund,
Inc., (SCEF) individuals in Laurel, Miss., area set forth.
A check drawn on SCEF cashed at a bank in Jackson, Miss.

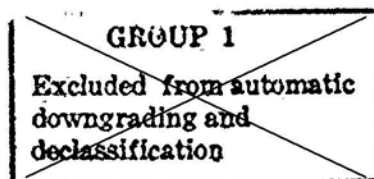
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DETAILS:

This report covers the period January 15, 1970,
to April 22, 1970.

A characterization of Southern Conference
Educational Fund, Inc., (SCEF) is included in the
appendix of this report.

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JN 100-57

I. COMMUNIST STRATEGY

No information developed.

II. COMMUNIST TACTICS

No information developed.

III. COMMUNIST PENETRATION AND INFLUENCE IN
RACIAL AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

See Miscellaneous Section.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

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During February, 1970, Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc., (SCEF) had paid \$1700 to [redacted] Jackson, Mississippi, who has some apparent connections with "Mississippi School Project" for the "Educational Survey Group."

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March 2, 1970

A check dated March 20, 1970 (check number 4086) in the amount of \$1700, payable to the Educational Survey Group was deposited without endorsement in the First National Bank, Jackson, Mississippi. The purpose of this check was indicated as "Grant for school project."

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Clearing this account on the same date was a check to [redacted] for expenses which bore endorsement, [redacted] or [redacted] and was deposited or cashed at the First National Bank, Phoenix, Arizona.

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April 1, 1970

Seven former employees of Masonite Corporation, Laurel, Mississippi, who consider themselves on strike from April 21, 1967, held a meeting on April 6, 1970, near Laurel. These employees, along with others, participated in a "wildcat" strike which lasted seven months with numerous acts of violence against employees and their properties. There was also considerable damage against company property.

There were several court cases by the union and management during this period of time. The only outstanding legal action at the present time is an appeal to the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans, Louisiana. This action was brought by former employees based on a ruling by the United States District Court, Southern District of Mississippi, Biloxi, Mississippi, on December 24, 1968.

An unidentified Negro male, reported to be with SCEF from Arkansas, met with the Laurel group on April 6, 1970. During this meeting, the appeal was discussed as to what action was to be taken if the ruling went against the former employees. [redacted] former union leader and Masonite employee, said plans had been made to bring 40 people into Jones County, Mississippi, from Alabama and Arkansas. He said these people would be housed in rural Jones County. These individuals are believed to be associated with SCEF.

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During the meeting, [redacted] stated that five houses, not identified, had to "burn." [redacted] was referring possibly to some individuals who returned to work after being warned not to do so.

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[redacted] former Masonite employee, stated that [redacted] Negro male, from SCEF in New Orleans, Louisiana, would either go on each job or would point out the location of each house.

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April 8, 1970

APPENDIX

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SOUTHERN CONFERENCE EDUCATIONAL FUND, INC. (SCEF);
"THE SOUTHERN PATRIOT" (SP)

An article in the December, 1967, issue of "The Southern Patriot" (SP), commemorating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the publication with that issue recites the following:

The Southern Conference for Human Welfare (SCHW) was organized in 1938; SP, started in 1942 as the publication of SCHW, was taken over by the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc., (SCEF), in the late 1940s when SCHW went out of existence. SCEF, originally the "educational wing" of SCHW, continued as an independent organization. For almost two decades, concern of SCHW and SCEF was with racial segregation and oppression of black people. In 1964, SCEF recognized that the legal back of segregation had been broken and economic and political gains were necessary if Southern life was to change. In the past few years, SCEF has also supported battles for academic freedom and the Southern movement for world peace.

The Southern Conference for Human Welfare (SCHW) was cited as a Communist front by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 592, June 12, 1947. In the same House report, "The Southern Patriot" was cited as an "organ" of the SCHW.

The September, 1967, issue of the SP refers to SCEF as a "community of Organizers and Writers," stating its work is centered in organizing the poor in Appalachia for political and economic power, helping white people in the Deep South find a common cause with black people, helping local groups organize action for peace and working for abolition of the "House Un-American Activities Committee."

The masthead of SP, in its April, 1969, issue, states "The Southern Conference is dedicated to ending racism, poverty, and other injustices in the South; it opposes war as an instrument of national policy."

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APPENDIX

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SOUTHERN CONFERENCE EDUCATIONAL FUND, INC. (SCEF);
"THE SOUTHERN PATRIOT" (SP)

Carl and Anne Braden are listed in the masthead of the April, 1969, issue of SP as Executive Director and Associate Executive Director respectively of SCEF.

Mrs. Alberta Ahearn, 2311 Payne Street, Louisville, Kentucky, a self-admitted former member of the Communist Party (CP) Louisville, Kentucky, testified on December 11, 1954, in Jefferson County, Kentucky, Criminal Court in a State sedition prosecution against Carl James Braden. She identified Carl James Braden and his wife, Anne McCarty Braden, as having been known to her as members of CP from January, 1951, to December, 1954.

A source advised on March 2, 1961, that Claude Lightfoot, a Communist Party functionary, stated at a meeting of the Communist Party in Baltimore, Maryland, on February 25, 1961, that the Communist Party has some indirect influence in SCEF.

A second source, familiar with some phases of Communist Party activity in the New Orleans area, advised on June 3, 1966, that during the time that the SCHW was in existence, members of the Communist Party were members of and worked actively in the SCHW; however, since the formation of the SCEF, Communist Party members have not been encouraged to work in SCEF. The source stated that the SCEF is a progressive, liberal organization because it has gone along with the Communist Party on certain issues, particularly on the racial issue.

A third source advised on May 25, 1965, that [] b6
[] a Communist Party functionary, expressed great admiration b7C
for Carl and Anne Braden and SCEF, which they head. He said
SCEF is the best organization in the South as far as doing

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SOUTHERN CONFERENCE EDUCATIONAL FUND, INC. (SCEF);
"THE SOUTHERN PATRIOT" (SP)

effective work is concerned and that they have a better idea of what they are doing, where they are heading, and they influence other organizations for the better.

The second source also advised on June 3, 1966, that many people who are officials and supporters of the SCEF, while liberal in their views, are by no means Communists.

The April, 1969, issue of SP lists the editorial and business offices of SCEF as 3210 West Broadway, Louisville, Kentucky; its office of publication 150 Tenth Avenue, North, Nashville, Tennessee; Eastern offices 799 Broadway, New York, New York; and its Western office 5889 West Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.

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APPENDIX



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Jackson, Mississippi 39205
April 23, 1970

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Title COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
(CIRM)

Character INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNISM

Reference Report of SA DANIEL J. CONNELL dated
and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable
information in the past.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 4/28/70

FROM : SAC, New Orleans (100-17122) (P*)

SUBJECT: CIRM
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ReBulet to Albany 8/28/64, and New Orleans letter
to Bureau 1/29/70.

Informants and sources of this office have been
currently canvassed and could furnish no information re
captioned matter during the past quarter and, accordingly,
no report is being submitted.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 4/29/70

FROM : SAC, COLUMBIA (100-22)(P*)

SUBJECT: CIRM
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Re Columbia letter to Bureau, 1/20/70.

In absence of any pertinent information, this letter is being submitted in lieu of a quarterly report.

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- 1 - Columbia

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO :

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 4/27/70

FROM :

SAC, SAVANNAH (100-5131) (P*)

SUBJECT:

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Re SV letter to Bureau, 1/21/70.

In the absence of receipt of any information within the Savannah Division regarding captioned matter, this letter is being submitted in lieu of a report.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 4/29/70

FROM: SAC, TAMPA (100-805)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN
RACIAL MATTERS
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ReTPlet to Bureau dated 1/23/70.

Tampa has no information to report for the
quarter ending 4/30/70.

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REPORTING OFFICE ALBANY	OFFICE OF ORIGIN NEW YORK	DATE 4/28/70	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 1/8/70 - 4/21/70
TITLE OF CASE COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS		REPORT MADE BY SA JOHN W. MILLER	TYPED BY jrah
		CHARACTER OF CASE IS-C	

REFERENCE

Albany letter to Bureau, 1/30/70.

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INFORMANTS

Identity of Source

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File Where Located

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[redacted] is a subject of the New York Office.

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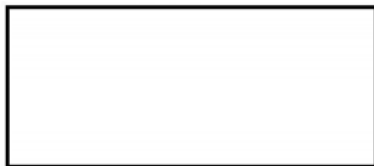
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ADMINISTRATIVE DATA (Continued)

Cases are pending in this division on the following individuals to determine whether they should be recommended for the Security Index:



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Copy to: 1-108th Military Intelligence Group (RM)
1-OSI, Griffiss Air Force Base, Rome, New York (RM)
1-NIS, New York City, New York (RM)

Report of: SA JOHN W. MILLER
Date: April 28, 1970

Office: ALBANY

Field Office File #: 100-19249

Bureau File #: 100-442529

Title: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN
RACIAL MATTERS

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Synopsis: [REDACTED] CP functionary from New York, organized a class in Afro-American History at Union College, Schenectady, New York, during January, 1970 but no meetings have been held since [REDACTED] left that area during the first week of February, 1970. During [REDACTED] visit, he also planned to visit [REDACTED] former member of the Albany Chapter of the BPP, in order to start a Black Marxist group in the Albany area.

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DETAILS

I. COMMUNIST STRATEGY

[REDACTED] a Communist Party functionary from New York City, was in Schenectady, New York, during the first week of January, 1970. At that time he planned to visit [REDACTED] former member of the Albany Chapter of the Black Panther Party (BPP). The purpose of his visit with [REDACTED] was to try and start a Black Marxist group in the Albany area. [REDACTED] knows [REDACTED] is a member of the CP.

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(AL T-1 on January 8, 1970)

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Group 1 (A characterization of BPP is contained
Excluded in the Appendix attached hereto.)
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II. COMMUNIST TACTICS

No information developed.

III. COMMUNIST PENETRATION AND INFLUENCE IN RACIAL AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

While [] was in the Albany-Schenectady, New York, area during January and February, 1970, he said he had organized a class in Afro-American History which met weekly. He described it as having a "touch of Marxist-Leninist flavor". [] claimed to have 18 blacks and 8 whites interested in the class which was to be held on the Union College campus in Schenectady. He said the following were the leaders of the class and did most of the recruiting:

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[] Union College student;

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(FNU) []

[] wanted the local Capital District Communist Party to direct these classes when he returned to New York City as he felt from these classes the CP could get a foothold in the black youth area and provide the local CP group with future members.

AL T-1 advised that some classes had been held by [] with about six or seven blacks attending but that no meetings were held since [] left Schenectady during the first week of February, 1970.

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IV. MISCELLANEOUS

No information developed.

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APPENDIX

BLACK PANTHER PARTY, Also Known as
Black Panther Party for Self-Defense

According to its official newspaper, the Black Panther Party (BPP) was started during December, 1966, in Oakland, California, to organize black people so they can take control of the life, politics and the destiny of the black community. It was organized by Bobby Seale, BPP Chairman, and Huey P. Newton, BPP Minister of Defense. Newton was sentenced in 1968 to serve 2 to 15 years after being convicted of manslaughter in connection with the killing of an Oakland police officer.

The official newspaper, "The Black Panther," which further describes itself as the "Black Community News Service," states that the BPP advocates the use of guns and guerrilla tactics in its revolutionary program to end oppression of the black people. Residents of the black community are urged to arm themselves against the police who are consistently referred to in the publication as "pigs" who should be killed.

"The Black Panther" issue of September 7, 1968, contains an editorial by BPP Minister of Education, George Mason Murray, which ends with the following:

"Black men. Black people, colored persons of America, revolt everywhere! Arm yourselves. The only culture worth keeping is a revolutionary culture. Change. Freedom everywhere. Dynamite! Black Power. Use the gun. Kill the pigs everywhere."

Included in the introduction to an article appearing in the October 5, 1968, edition of "The Black Panther" is the statement ". . . we will not dissent from American Government. We will overthrow it."

Issues of "The Black Panther" regularly contain quotations from the writings of Chairman Mao Tse-tung of the People's Republic of China and feature Mao's statement that "political power grows out of the barrel of a gun."

The national headquarters of the BPP is located at 3106 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley, California. Branches have been established at various locations throughout the United States.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Albany, New York

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April 28, 1970

Title COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN
 RACIAL MATTERS

Character INTERNAL SECURITY -- C

Reference Report of SA JOHN W. MILLER
 dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and nine copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above, suitable for dissemination. Enclosed for Birmingham is one copy, for Chicago three copies and for New York three copies of the above LHM.

Source referred to in the enclosed LHM is [redacted]
Informant's information was obtained 4/25/70 during conversa-
tion with HOSEA WILLIAMS and [redacted], SCLC Field
Representative. [redacted]

With regard to JACKSON's new title, informant said he did not know whether JACKSON would or would not move to Atlanta. He understood that JACKSON in this regard told the Boardland ABERNATHY he would be happy to do whatever might be best for SCLC. Concerning the possibility of O'DELL moving

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Atlanta, informant advised nothing was mentioned. WILLIAMS commented he did not know how O'DELL's new SCLC position would affect his work with Freedomways. ~~X~~

Sources utilized to characterize [] are
[] and [] ~~X~~

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Enclosed LHM is classified ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ because of the close association with [] with several officers of SCLC. ~~X~~

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Atlanta, Georgia

April 30, 1970

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
RACIAL MATTERS; INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION IN
RACIAL MATTERS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

On April 28, 1970, a confidential source advised he had learned that on April 14 and 15, 1970, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), Board of Directors, met in Birmingham, Alabama. This meeting was attended by Ralph D. Abernathy, President, SCLC, and several members of the SCLC Executive Staff. X

Resulting from this meeting were several changes in the status of SCLC executive personnel. Jack O'Dell, Special Aide to the President, SCLC, was named Executive Director, SCLC. Jesse Jackson, National Director, Project Breadbasket, SCLC, was named Vice President at Large, SCLC. Hosea Williams, Director, Voter Registration and Political Education, SCLC, was appointed Vice President in Charge of the South. Stoney Cooks, Special Aide to the Executive Vice President, SCLC, was appointed to a newly created position (title not known) to serve as an intermediary between Abernathy, Jackson, and persons who desire to contact these individuals. X

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ENCLOSURE

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COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SCLC,
COMMUNIST INFILTRATION IN RACIAL MATTERS

Joseph E. Lowery, Chairman, SCLC Board, for approximately the past year has also occupied office space in SCLC Headquarters, Atlanta, Georgia, and served in a liaison capacity between the Board and the SCLC Executive Staff. Henceforth, Lowery will only function in the capacity of Chairman of the Board. X

The source understood that Jackson, in view of his new responsibilities, expects to delegate to others (identities not known) many of his functions regarding Operation Breadbasket, SCLC. No decision has presently been made by SCLC as to who will assume Williams' former position of Director, Voter Registration and Political Education, SCLC. With respect to Williams' new position, the source pointed out that in connection with his former responsibilities, Williams operated largely in the Southern states. Williams, however, is hopeful his new title will permit him to function with less demand than in the past that he be answerable to the SCLC Executive Staff for his activities. X

As of the present time, SCLC is giving serious consideration to requesting [redacted] former Program Director, SCLC, to return to the services of SCLC in connection with program direction. X

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[redacted]
On February 26, 1953, a confidential source advised [redacted] had been a member of the Communist Party in the District of Columbia.

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A confidential source advised that [redacted] attended a Labor Youth League convention on August 13, 1950, at the Algonquin Club, 1400 Fayetteville Street, Durham, North Carolina.

The Labor Youth League has been designated by the U. S. Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was overheard in November, 1967, in conversation during which he advised that he had traveled to Prague, Czechoslovakia, where he had attended a peace conference, not further described. While in Czechoslovakia, he had met several "organizers of the Revolution" from Hanoi, North Viet Nam. [REDACTED] had been quite impressed by these people and has subsequently appeared very knowledgeable concerning Viet Nam. It is not known whether [REDACTED] actually visited Viet Nam during the course of his recent travel.

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JACK O'DELL

The Summer, 1968, issue of "Freedomways" lists J.H. O'Dell (Jack O'Dell) as its Associate Managing Editor.

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The records of the New York State Secretary of State, Albany, New York, show that the Certificate of Incorporation of Freedomways Associates, Incorporated, was filed on March 2, 1961.

On May 24, 1961, a source advised that a report was given on "Freedomways" at a meeting of the National Board, Communist Party, United States of America (CPUSA), held on May 24, 1961. It was stated that the central purpose of "Freedomways" is to develop a theory and positive criticism of currents in the Negro movement, as well as to raise the level of understanding and discussion taking place in Negro life today and to project a socialist and pro-Soviet orientation.

A second source advised on May 25, 1961, that "Freedomways" was set up for the CP by James Jackson. That source advised on April 23, 1969, that James Jackson is the Chairman of the International Affairs Department of the CPUSA and that [redacted] is the current Managing Editor of "Freedomways", a magazine published by Freedomways Associates, Incorporated, located at 799 Broadway, New York, New York.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Atlanta, Georgia

April 30, 1970

Title COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN
CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE;
COMMUNIST INFILTRATION IN RACIAL MATTERS

Character RACIAL MATTERS; INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Reference Memorandum prepared at Atlanta,
Georgia, and dated and captioned
as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable
information in the past.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

FROM : SAC, HOUSTON (100-10100) (P*)

SUBJECT: CIRM
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DATE: 5/1/70

(OO: NEW YORK)

ReBulet to AL, 8/28/64, and HOlet to Bureau,
2/1/70.

Appropriate case files in the security and racial fields were reviewed concerning captioned matter, and no activity was noted in the past three months.

In the event any positive information is developed from confidential informants and sources in the future, it will be furnished to the Bureau.

No investigative report is being submitted by Houston at this time pursuant to instructions contained in referenced Bureau letter.

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To: SAC, Albany (100-19249)

From: Director, FBI (100-442529) - 3055

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SI-112 COMMUNIST INFLUENCE
IN RACIAL MATTERS
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Rerep SA John W. Miller dated 4/28/70.

Promptly advise informant coverage you presently have on [] in a position to advise on continuing basis of possible involvement of [] in any black Marxist group in your Division. If no such coverage at this time, advise steps you are taking to obtain such coverage. Additionally, advise source coverage available to report on progress being made by Communist Party, USA, in influencing black youths in your area.

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NOTE:

[] Communist Party, USA, functionary from New York, organized class in Schenectady, New York, in 1/70. [] claimed to have 18 blacks and 8 whites interested in class. He planned visit with [] former Albany Black Panther Party member, to try to start black Marxist group in Albany. Communist Party, USA, making continuous efforts to influence black extremist movement.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 4/30/70

FROM : SAC, RICHMOND (100-10310) - P*-
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SUBJECT: 0 COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
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Re Richmond letter to the Bureau, 1/30/70.

During the quarter ending 4/30/70, no information has been received by the Richmond Division indicating there was any communist influence in racial matters in this division. As previously pointed out, there are only two members of the Communist Party in this division and its activities continue at a very low ebb.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 4/30/70

FROM : SAC, CHARLOTTE (100-10028) (P*)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN
RACIAL MATTERS
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(OO: NEW YORK)

Re Charlotte letter to Bureau, 1/30/70.

During the period of 1/30-4/30/70, no information has been received reflecting that individuals with subversive backgrounds have participated in racial activities in North Carolina.

Accordingly, no report is being submitted, UACB.

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1 - New York (100-153735) (RM)
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 4/30/70

FROM : SAC, SAN JUAN (100-6702) -P*-

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
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(OO: NEW YORK)

Re San Juan letter to Bureau, 2/2/70.

The files of the San Juan Office contain no pertinent information regarding captioned matter. Case being placed in pending inactive status for submission of quarterly report or letter by 8/1/70.

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1-New York (INFO)
1-San Juan

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

DATE: 4/29/70

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (100-4070) (P*)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST-INFLUENCE-IN-
RACIAL MATTERS
(CIRM)
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(OO New York)

Re Memphis letter to the Bureau dated 2/18/70. *me*

This letter is submitted in lieu of quarterly report during the quarter 2/1/70 through 4/30/70.

During this quarter the Memphis Division has developed no information concerning CIRM within the territory covered by the Memphis Division. Any subsequent information developed in this regard will be handled and reported in accordance with existing Bureau instructions.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

FROM : *WMD* SAC, MOBILE (100-10-F) (P*)

SUBJECT: *C*
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DATE: 4/28/70

Reference is made to Mobile letter to the Bureau,
2/2/70.

During the quarter ending March 31, 1970, no
information was developed in the Mobile Division concerning
captioned matter. There is no known Communist Party group
in the Mobile Division and CP member is listed.

Accordingly, no report is being submitted. *me*

② - Bureau (RM)
1 - New York (100-153735) (Info) (RM)
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529) DATE: 4-28-70

FROM : *[Signature]* SAC, SAN DIEGO (100-13295)(P*)

SUBJECT: *[Signature]* COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN
RACIAL MATTERS
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Re San Diego letter to Bureau, 1-27-70.

There have been no pertinent developments concerning this matter in the San Diego Division since the submission of referenced letter.

The San Diego Division will continue to follow the activities of the San Diego Communist Party and other subversive organizations and will submit a quarterly report or letter as appropriate concerning this matter.

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1-Los Angeles 100-66078)(Info)(RM)
1-San Francisco (100-53902)(Info)(RM)
2-San Diego

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE CLEVELAND	OFFICE OF ORIGIN NEW YORK	DATE 4/30/70	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 4/23/70 - 4/29/70
TITLE OF CASE COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS		REPORT MADE BY SA ROBERT E. KEHRES	TYPED BY MDZ
		CHARACTER OF CASE IS - C	

REFERENCE

Cleveland report of SA ROBERT E. KEHRES, 2/3/70.

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Will follow and report Communist activities in the Cleveland area as they pertain to racial matters.

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INFORMANTS

IDENTITY OF SOURCE

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CV T-3 is ✓

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CV T-8 is ✓

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CV T-10 is

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Used to identify [redacted]

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CV T-11 is ✓

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Used to identify [redacted]

[redacted] PHILIP BART

CV T-12 is ✓

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Used to identify [redacted]

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CV T-13 is ✓

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CV T-14 is ✓

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This report is classified ~~confidential~~ since it contains information from CV T-1 through CV T-14 which could result in their being identified. They are informants of continuing value and this would compromise their future effectiveness.

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Report of: SA ROBERT E. KEHRES
Date: 4/30/70

Office: CLEVELAND, OHIO

Field Office File #: 100-27056

Bureau File #: 100-442529

Title: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN
RACIAL MATTERS

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Synopsis:

FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD 1/16/70 - 4/15/70

Ohio CP has been concentrating its efforts on recruiting Negroes into the Party, especially Negro youths, and has had CP national functionaries come to Ohio for this purpose. CP was active in getting delegates to attend Emergency Conference to Defend the Right of the BPP to Exist, and has formed a local committee of this organization with the CP member as temporary chairman. SWP is taking no active steps to influence Negroes. No racial demonstrations in which communists are known to have participated have been held during period of this report. Local BPP leader claims CP and SWP are trying to use the black people.

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DETAILS:

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I. COMMUNIST STRATEGY

A. Communist Party, USA (CPUSA)

1. Local Plans and Strategy

(a.) Ohio Communist Party Efforts to
Recruit Negroes into Communist
Party (CP)

CV T-1 advised on January 7, 1970, that members of the CP in Ohio are being instructed by the leaders, both black and white, to go all out in trying to recruit Negroes into the Party.

CV T-1 advised on January 15, 1970, that a meeting was had on January 9, 1970 in a CP member's home in Akron to enable CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT to meet with some youths, black and white, to encourage them to become CP members. LIGHTFOOT is in the Cleveland area primarily to assist in the recruiting of Negro youths into the CP.

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT - CV T-8
advised on October 1, 1969
that CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT is a
member of the National Committee
of the CPUSA and a member of the
State Board, State Committee and
chairman of the Illinois District
CP.

CV T-2 advised on January 12, 1970, that a small group of people met at [redacted] in Cleveland on January 10, 1970 to hear CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT speak. LIGHTFOOT discussed the aims and objectives of groups such as the Congress on Racial Equality, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and the Black Panther Party (BPP) and pointed out the goals of these organizations are more or less unobtainable. LIGHTFOOT suggested that the CPUSA could be a unifying force for these organizations. He also directed that [redacted] acted with all speed to get some blacks in the Party in Cleveland.

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[redacted] - CV T-3 advised on
February 6, 1970 that [redacted]
is a member of the newly formed CP
Cedar-Central Club in Cleveland.

[redacted] - CV T-1 advised
in January, 1970, that [redacted]
[redacted] is secretary of the CP
of Ohio.

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A characterization of the BPP
is contained in the Appendix
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CV T-1 advised on January 15, 1970 that a book
written by CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT is being distributed to as many
Negro youths and adults as possible by CP members in Cleveland
in the hopes that those who read it will become interested in
Communism, and eventually in joining the CP. The book is
entitled "Ghetto Rebellion to Black Liberation."

CV T-3 advised on February 6, 1970 that at a CP
Cedar-Central Club meeting held in Cleveland on February 5, 1970,
it was decided that copies of the "Daily World" will be distributed
on February 8th in the area of East 61st and Central Avenue.
This area, which is a Negro ghetto area, was picked because most
of the Negroes living there are on welfare and the Party is going
to key this project to those on welfare. It is hoped that through
this concentration of "Daily World" distribution the CP will be
able to recruit some new people. Also in an effort to recruit
Negroes into the Party, CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT will come to Cleveland
about once a month to help the Cedar-Central Club recruit Negroes,
and HENRY WINSTON will be in Cleveland on February 15, 1970 for
the Nationality Press Banquet, as speaker, in the hopes of being
able to recruit Negroes into the Party.

The "Daily World" is an East
Coast Communist newspaper.

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HENRY WINSTON - CV T-9 advised
on May 8, 1969 that HENRY WINSTON
was elected National Chairman of
the CPUSA at its 19th National
Convention, held April 30 -
May 3, 1969.

Nationality Press Banquet -
CV T-3 advised in February, 1970
that the Nationality Press Banquet
is a yearly affair run by the CP
of Ohio as a fund raising banquet.

CV T-1 advised on February 16, 1970 that on February 11, 1970 PHILIP BART commented that he was very pleased by the number of black people expected to attend the Nationality Press Banquet.

PHILIP BART - CV T-11 advised on June 10, 1969 that it was announced at an Ohio CP State Committee meeting on June 8, 1969 that PHILIP BART is the new chairman of the Ohio CP.

CV T-4 reported on February 16, 1970 that on that day HENRY WINSTON stated that 102 people had attended the Nationality Press Banquet held in Cleveland the previous day, with 15 of them being black and most of these being youths.

CV T-1 advised on February 25, 1970, that [redacted] was in Cleveland on February 23, 1970 making an effort to visit as many former CP members as possible, and also to visit as many blacks as possible in an effort to interest them in the CP. Arrangements were made for [redacted] to visit with ROBERT JACKSON, who claims to be head of the BPP in Cleveland. [redacted] did visit with ROBERT JACKSON and hoped to visit with some of the leaders of the Black Nationalist group. [redacted] made the observation that he thought a young black couple should be sent to Cleveland to help in this work and he would see what could be done about this. b6 b7c

[redacted] - CV T-10 advised on May 6, 1969 that at the 19th National Convention of the CPUSA [redacted] was elected to the National Committee of the CPUSA. b6 b7c

CV T-3 advised on March 9, 1970 that the CP hopes to have HENRY WINSTON and CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT come to Cleveland in the near future to help in the recruitment of Negro youths, which is one of the major objectives of the Party.

CV T-1 advised on April 7, 1970, that there is a weekly project of the CP Cedar-Central Club of trying to sell the "Daily World" in the Negro area of Cleveland, the purpose being to try and influence Negroes to join the CP.

(b.) CP Activity in Connection with
Conference to Defend the Right
of the BPP to Exist

CV T-1 advised on February 16, 1970 that at a CP meeting held in Cleveland on February 11, 1970 both PHILIP BART

and [] spoke strongly in behalf of the BPP. They both stated that while they do not agree with some of the Panther methods, the CP must work with them in every way possible because of their Marxist-Leninist approach.

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[] - CV T-11 advised on June 10, 1969 that at an Ohio CP State Committee meeting held in Cleveland on June 8, 1969 it was announced that [] would no longer be chairman of the CP of Ohio, and instead was now Nationality Secretary of the CPUSA.

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CV T-1 advised on February 24, 1970 that PHILIP BART attended a CP Cedar-Central Club meeting on February 19, 1970 at which he pointed out that he is trying to get as many persons as possible to go to Chicago in March 7 and 8, 1970 to attend a Conference on the Right of the BPP to Exist. BART assigned two persons - [] to work full time on getting people to attend this conference.

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[] - CV T-1 advised on February 24, 1970 that [] is currently a member of the CP Cedar-Central Club and was a member of the Ohio CP State Committee.

CV T-1 advised on February 25, 1970 that on February 21, 1970 [] asked one of the Negro CP members to contact Negroes, both youths and adults, to get them to go to this Chicago conference. [] particularly wanted ROBERT JACKSON talked to, to see if he would go.

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CV T-1 advised on February 27, 1970 that on February 26, 1970 PHILIP BART stated that according to [] there are about 30 persons going by bus from Akron to Chicago to attend the Conference on the Right of the BPP to Exist, plus two or three automobile loads. Known to be going from Cleveland, according to BART, are []

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[] The CP is trying to obtain donations of cash from those not going so that this money may be used to help finance those who otherwise could not afford to go. While discussing this conference to be held in Chicago, BART said he felt there would be very few Black Panther members present, and when specifically asked why the BPP did not take more interest in a conference being held for its own benefit, BART replied in effect "The conference is not

a conference of the Panthers. We don't have the Panthers in our pocket yet. While they have a Marxist approach, there are still some differences."

[redacted] - CV T-1 advised in February, 1970 that [redacted] is a CP member from Akron, Ohio, and a member of the Ohio CP Committee.

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[redacted] - CV T-2 advised in April, 1970 that [redacted] is a new member of the CP in Cleveland.

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CV T-3 advised on March 9, 1970 that a CP Cedar-Central Club meeting was held in Cleveland on March 5, 1970 to discuss plans for the group going to Chicago to attend the Conference on the Right of the BPP to Exist. It was reported that five automobile loads of persons are going from Cleveland and ten autos from Akron. Those from Akron are said to be mostly Black Nationalists, and while the Party wants to identify itself with these Black Nationalists, it is particularly interested in the BPP. CV T-3 advised further that the Party is trying to get a defense fund started, with the money to be used to hire attorneys to defend Black Panthers. \$100 was collected at this March 5, 1970 meeting for this defense fund.

CV T-1 advised on March 11, 1970 that 38 persons from Akron attended the Chicago Conference on the Right of the BPP to Exist, all of whom were sponsored by the Black Student Union or the Black United Students.

CV T-2 advised on March 17, 1970 that a Cleveland Committee to Defend the Right of the BPP to Exist was formed in Cleveland on March 17, 1970 at a meeting attended by approximately 29 persons. [redacted] was designated temporary chairman of this Cleveland Committee and [redacted] was designated temporary treasurer. Among those present, in addition to [redacted]

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[redacted] - CV T-1 advised on October 26, 1969 that [redacted] attended the Ohio CP State Committee meeting held in Cleveland on October 26, 1969.

[redacted] - CV T-3 advised on February 6, 1970 that [redacted] is a member of the newly formed CP Cedar-Central Club in Cleveland.

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C. P. MEMBER [redacted] - CV T-3 advised on October 27, 1959 that [redacted] was being transferred from the CP Southeast Section, Cleveland, to the Heights Section of the CP in Cleveland.

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[redacted] - CV T-3 advised on March 9, 1970 that [redacted] was an old time CP member in Cleveland who has recently become active again and who is currently a member of the newly formed CP Cedar-Central Club.

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[redacted] - CV T-3 advised on March 9, 1970 that [redacted] is an old time CP member who left the Party in the late 1950's.

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CV T-12 advised on July 20, 1965 that [redacted] was at that time a member of the National Committee of the Provisional Organizing Committee for a Marxist-Leninist CP (POC).

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A characterization of the POC is contained in the Appendix hereto.

CV T-3 advised on March 24, 1970 that at a CP Cedar-Central Club meeting held in Cleveland on March 19, 1970 disappointment was expressed because no one from Cleveland was placed on the National Committee of the newly formed Committee to Defend the Right of the BPP to Exist. It was decided that in Cleveland the following persons will be responsible for working with this new organization - [redacted]

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[redacted] No plans were made for the activity of this group other than passing out the "Daily World" in the Negro area of Cleveland.

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[redacted] - CV T-1 advised on August 14, 1969 that at a CP meeting held in Cleveland on August 11, 1969 the chairman of the Ohio CP announced that [redacted] would be working for the CP in Ohio.

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CV T-2 advised on February 4, 1970 that on January 17, 1970 [redacted] and one of the Negro CP members in Cleveland discussed working with the Black Panthers. [redacted] said he is doing what he can but felt that this Negro CP member could be more effective because of the "race angle."

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B. Socialist Workers Party (SWP)

1. Local Plans and Strategy

CV T-5 advised on February 17, 1970 that both the SWP and the Young Socialist Alliance (YSA) in Cleveland have been active in the past six months in the defense of FRED (AHMED) EVANS.

The SWP has been cited by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

A characterization of the YSA is contained in the Appendix hereto.

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FRED (AHMED) EVANS - "The Plain Dealer," Cleveland daily newspaper of general circulation in Cleveland, Ohio area, issue of June 7, 1969, states that FRED (AHMED) EVANS is a "black nationalist leader, convicted of first degree murder of three policemen and one civilian during a gun battle last summer.... EVANS was convicted on May 12, (1969) of directing a conspiracy which resulted in a shootout between police and black nationalists last July 23..."

CV T-6 advised on April 28, 1970 that although the SWP advocates black control of the black communities, it has taken no active steps to implicate such program. The SWP still has only one Negro member among its approximately 32 members and is taking no positive step to recruit Negroes.

II. COMMUNIST TACTICS

There were no racial demonstrations during the period of this report in which communists were known to have participated.

III. COMMUNIST PENETRATION AND INFLUENCE IN RACIAL AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

(OHIO) CV T-7 advised on February 20, 1970 that ROBERT JACKSON is leader of the National Committee to Combat Fascism, which is synonymous with the BPP. Source stated that JACKSON claims to have been contacted on several occasions by both CP and SWP members. JACKSON claims that the CP and the SWP are trying to use the black people and that he has no interest in either group. According to source, ROBERT JACKSON commented on February 20th, that "people" had asked him to go to the conference in Chicago but he did not plan to attend.

CV T-7 advised in March, 1970 that ROBERT JACKSON had reportedly met recently with [redacted] who attempted to persuade JACKSON to go to Chicago to attend the Conference to Defend the Right of the BPP to Exist. [redacted] also sent some CP member from Chicago, Illinois to see JACKSON for this same purpose. JACKSON claims that the CP is only interested in using the BPP, and not in helping it, and JACKSON refused to go to Chicago. JACKSON also claims to have had a contact with [redacted] and with [redacted] recently at Case Western Reserve University when one of the national leaders of the BPP spoke there. JACKSON indicated that the BPP intensely dislikes [redacted] and [redacted] and said he had been instructed by the BPP to stay away from them.

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[redacted] - CV T-13 advised on July 3, 1969 that [redacted] attended a meeting of the Workers World Party held in Buffalo, New

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York on June 27, 1969 at which meeting she reported on her recent activity in Cleveland, Ohio.

A characterization of the Workers World Party is contained in the Appendix hereto.

[redacted] - CV T-14 advised on January 22, 1969 that a meeting of the Republic of New Africa (RNA) was held in Cleveland on December 29, 1968 with [redacted] in OHIO charge. Source advised on April 24, 1969 that GRATTAN has made several statements in the recent past concerning possibly quitting the RNA to work among the more militant Cleveland Black Nationalists.

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A characterization of the RNA is contained in the Appendix hereto.

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AMERICAN WORKERS COMMUNIST PARTY, aka.,
Provisional Organizing Committee For A
Marxist-Leninist Communist Party (POC);
Provisional Organizing Committee For The
Reconstitution Of A Marxist-Leninist Party;
Provisional Organizing Committee For The
Reconstitution Of A Marxist-Leninist
Communist Party;
Provisional Committee To Reconstitute
The Communist Party, USA.

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of December 1, 1961, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., states as follows regarding the Provisional Organizing Committee for a Marxist-Leninist Communist Party:

"PROVISIONAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE FOR A
MARXIST-LENINIST COMMUNIST PARTY (POC)

"1. Found to be 'a new Communist splinter group.' The Provisional Organizing Committee for a Marxist-Leninist Communist Party 'also known as the POC*** was formed in August, 1958, by a number of Communist Party members who were dissatisfied with the trends and policies of the Party and, while within it, had referred to themselves as the Marxist-Leninist Caucus.'

"The leaders and participants in the Provisional Organizing Committee Group had been expelled from the Communist Party on the technical charge of disruptive, factional, anti-Party activities'"

"The POC group is composed largely of extreme left wing elements from the Communist Party. Throughout the Party's history, there have been contending right and left-wing factions which,

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"in periods of turmoil such as the Party has gone through in the recent past, have fought for control. The POC element lost out in this recent struggle within the U. S. Party***."

"The one fact that is completely clear today is that the POC group is made up of hard-core, dedicated, and extremist Communists who, despite their present differences with the Communist Party leadership, are intent upon doing all within their power to speed the achievement of the goals of international communism."

(Committee on Un-American Activities, Annual Report for 1959, House Report 1251, February 8, 1960, pages 69 and 70.)

A source advised on December 17, 1958, that the first meeting of the Cleveland Branch of the POC was held on December 14, 1958, with the Organizer and nine other persons present.

A second source advised on July 8, 1968, that at the July 5 and 6, 1968, convention of the POC, that organization changed its name to American Workers Communist Party. This same source reported on August 9, 1968, that there was possibly one AWCP member in Cleveland.

The first source advised on May 7, 1969, that he has heard nothing to indicate that subject organization has been active in the Cleveland area for a number of years.

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BLACK PANTHER PARTY
Also Known As
Black Panther Party for Self-Defense

According to its official newspaper, the Black Panther Party (BPP) was started during December, 1966, in Oakland, California, to organize black people so they can take control of the life, politics and the destiny of the black community. It was organized by Bobby Seale, BPP Chairman, and Huey P. Newton, BPP Minister of Defense. Newton was sentenced in 1968 to serve 2 to 15 years after being convicted of manslaughter in connection with the killing of an Oakland police officer.

The official newspaper, "The Black Panther," which further describes itself as the "Black Community News Service," states that the BPP advocates the use of guns and guerrilla tactics in its revolutionary program to end oppression of the black people. Residents of the black community are urged to arm themselves against the police who are consistently referred to in the publication as "pigs" who should be killed.

"The Black Panther" issue of September 7, 1968, contains an editorial by BPP Minister of Education, George Mason Murray, which ends with the following:

"Black men. Black people, colored persons of America, revolt everywhere! Arm yourselves. The only culture worth keeping is a revolutionary culture. Change. Freedom everywhere. Dynamite! Black Power. Use the gun. Kill the pigs everywhere."

Included in the introduction to an article appearing in the October 5, 1968, edition of "The Black Panther" is the statement "...we will not dissent from American Government. We will overthrow it."

Issues of "The Black Panther" regularly contain quotations from the writings of Chairman Mao Tse-tung of

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the People's Republic of China and feature Mao's statement that "political power grows out of the barrel of a gun."

The national headquarters of the BPP is located at 3106 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley, California. Branches have been established at various locations throughout the United States.

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REPUBLIC OF NEW AFRICA

A source has advised that the Republic of New Africa (RNA) is an all-Negro organization founded in Detroit, Michigan, in March, 1968. Robert F. Williams, who was then residing in Peking, China, was named as its President-in-Exile. Williams fled the United States in 1961 following issuance of a local warrant for his arrest on a charge of kidnapping growing out of a racial incident in Monroe, North Carolina. He published and broadcast hate-type material in Cuba and China prior to his return to the United States in September, 1969.

A second source has advised that the purpose of the RNA is to establish an independent black nation within the United States, demanding the States of Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, and South Carolina in addition to \$10,000 per black citizen as payment for 400 years of ancestral slave labor.

A third source advised on March 14, 1969, that an army of the RNA, known as the Black Legion, dedicated to black freedom and committed to the concept of systematic armed revolution, has been established. Black Legion members are expected to participate in military training and engage in firearms practice. The RNA plans to establish an underground Black Legion in addition to an aboveground Black Legion in order to avoid detection by the police.

According to this source, Black Legion members acting as bodyguards at a session of the Second National Convention of the RNA in Detroit, Michigan, on March 29, 1969, were involved in a shoot-out with members of the Detroit Police Department which resulted in the killing of one policeman and the critical wounding of another.

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WORKERS WORLD PARTY

On April 17, 1959, a confidential source advised that on February 12, 1959, a Socialist Workers Party (SWP) minority group under the leadership of National Committee member Sam Ballan split from the SWP.

The source stated that this minority group, referred to as the Marcyites, after many years of program and policy differences on varied issues concerning tactics and interpretation of political events, split from the SWP on the grounds that the Party was liquidating itself by departing from the Marxist precepts of Leon Trotsky and retreating from the fight for the world socialist revolution. The final issue which ultimately forced the split was the minority's opposition to the SWP regroupment policy which involved cooperation with the Communist Party (CP) periphery individuals characterized by the minority as petty bourgeois.

The minority program, according to the source, advocated unconditional defense of the Soviet Union and has as its goal the building of a revolutionary party with a complete proletarian orientation for the purpose of overthrowing capitalism in the United States and throughout the world.

On May 12, 1960, source advised that this minority group had chosen the name Workers World Party.

On May 1, 1969, a second source advised that the Workers World Party, which maintains headquarters at 46 West 21st Street, New York, New York, supports the People's Republic of China in its ideological dispute with the Soviet Union.

The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~1YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE

A source advised on May 15, 1969, that the Young Socialist Alliance (YSA) maintains its national headquarters at 41 Union Square West, New York, New York, and has as its official publication the "Young Socialist." The YSA is the youth organization of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) and has been described by the SWP as the main recruiting ground for the SWP.

The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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Cleveland, Ohio

In Reply, Please Refer to
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April 30, 1970

Title	COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
Character	INTERNAL SECURITY -- C
Reference	Report of SA ROBERT E. KEHRES dated and captioned as above, At Cleveland, Ohio.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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TITLE OF CASE COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS		REPORT MADE BY SA JOHN A. HANISCH	TYPED BY jfp
		CHARACTER OF CASE IS-C	

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REFERENCE: New Haven report of SA JOHN A. HANISCH dated 1/26/70

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This report is classified "~~CONFIDENTIAL~~" since the unauthorized disclosure of information furnished by NH T-1, T-3 and T-4 could reasonably result in the identification of confidential informants of continuing value and jeopardize their future effectiveness.

All persons mentioned in this report as member of the Communist Party residing within the area of the New Haven Division are listed on the Security Index or are sources or informants except for [redacted] on whom a recommendation for inclusion on the SI will be submitted shortly.

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COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN
RACIAL MATTERS

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Synopsis:

THIS REPORT COVERS THE THREE-MONTH PERIOD
JANUARY 1, 1970 THROUGH MARCH 31, 1970.
CHARLENE MITCHELL of New York City spoke at a Communist Party (CP) meeting 12/22/69, at which Black Panther Party (BPP) members also present. She stated in part that CP does not condone violence by BPP, but advocates obtaining support of the masses of people. Support of BPP and non violent means by CP members also advocated by local CP leaders. Meetings of the CP in Bridgeport and New Haven during 12/69 and 1/70 devoted in large measure to ways of preventing Negroes and Puerto Ricans from crossing General Electric plant picket lines. CP members were urged to attend the Emergency Conference to Defend the Rights of the Black Panther Party to Exist to be held 3/6-8/70 in Chicago. Two representatives from Conn. attended. Two representatives from Conn. also attended the founding convention of the Young Workers Liberation League in Chicago, Ill. in early 2/70. This is a CP-supported youth group with members to be drawn primarily from the working class and minority groups. Hartford, Conn. CP members all assessed \$10 for BPP. [redacted] spoke at New Haven, Conn. rally 2/21/70 in support of BPP rights. [redacted] purchased CP literature from Calif. [redacted] brought to Women's International League for Peace and Freedom meeting by [redacted] "Daily World" writer covering pre-trial activity of BPP defendants.

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DETAILS:

This is a report of pertinent activities of the communist influence in racial matters within the State of Connecticut during the period January 1, 1970 through March 31, 1970.

I. COMMUNIST STRATEGY

A. COMMUNIST PARTY, USA (CPUSA)

1. Plans, Strategy, Party Line Made at National Meetings Including Expressions by National and Other Functionaries

On December 22, 1969, NH T-1 advised that CHARLENE MITCHELL, from New York City addressed a group of mostly Communist Party (CP) members at 348 Orange Street, New Haven, Connecticut. MITCHELL spoke on Marxism-Leninism and traced the history of exploitations from the Middle Ages to the present time.

Among the Black Panther Party (BPP) members present was [redacted] One of the questions he asked was what the CP thought of the BPP approach to revolution.

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MITCHELL replied that the CP does not approve of the violent approach advocated by the BPP since even if they have 100 guns, this will not achieve their purpose. However, if they have the masses of the people behind them they will succeed. This is the CP approach.

CHARLENE MITCHELL was identified in "The Worker" of July 14, 1968, as the candidate of the CPUSA for President of the United States and as Field Secretary of the CP's Commission on Black Liberation.

"The Worker" was an east coast communist newspaper which has ceased publication.

On November 19, 1969, NH T-2 advised that [redacted] [redacted] was Acting Captain of the BPP for Connecticut.

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The BPP is characterized in the Appendix Section of this report.

2. Plans, Strategy, Party Line Made at District and Lower Level Meetings Including Expressions by Local Leaders and Rank and File Members

By report dated December 4, 1969, NH T-1 advised that a meeting of the Bridgeport Club, CP of Connecticut, was held on December 3, 1969, at 90 Jennings Avenue, Bridgeport, Connecticut. [redacted] was present and led the discussion.

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Most of the meeting was spent discussing how blacks and Puerto Ricans who were crossing the picket line at the General Electric plant at Bridgeport could be persuaded to honor the strike. No workable plan was proposed.

On March 20, 1969, NH T-3 advised that at the Connecticut State Convention of the CP, USA, held at New Haven, Connecticut, on that date, [redacted] was elected to the Connecticut CP State Committee and as a delegate to the CP, USA National Convention starting in Brooklyn, New York, on April 30, 1969.

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On December 10, 1969, NH T-1 advised that a State meeting of the CP of Connecticut was held at 37 Howe Street, New Haven, Connecticut, on December 7, 1969. Most of the meeting was devoted on ways to educate Negroes and Puerto Ricans from working at the struck General Electric plant in Bridgeport.

On January 6, 1970, NH T-3 advised that a meeting of the Hartford, Connecticut, Club, CP of Connecticut, was held on this date at the home of [redacted]. This meeting was recessed for thirty minutes in order that those present could watch the special CBS television program on the BPP.

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Following the television program, [] commented that CP members should support the BPP insofar as they adhere to the CP line, but that the CP cannot condone their violence.

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On April 20, 1969, NH T-3 advised that during the State Convention of the CP of Connecticut held in New Haven, Connecticut, on that date, [] was elected to the State Committee, CP of Connecticut, and was also elected as a delegate from Connecticut for the CP, USA, National Convention which began in Brooklyn, New York on April 30, 1969.

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On January 13, 1970, NH T-1 advised that the Bridgeport Club, CP of Connecticut, met at 90 Jennings Avenue on January 6, 1970.

[] led the discussion which dealt mostly with how Negroes and Puerto Ricans can be persuaded to honor the General Electric plant picket line. [] expressed disappointment that black ministers did not counsel their congregations to remain away from the General Electric plant.

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On April 20, 1969, NH T-3 advised that during the State Convention of the CP of Connecticut, held on this date, [] was elected to the State Committee of the CP of Connecticut.

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On January 25, 1970, NH T-3 reported that a State meeting, CP of Connecticut, was held this date at 37 Howe Street, New Haven, Connecticut.

At this meeting, [] announced that an emergency conference to Defend the Rights of the BPP to Exist will be held March 6-8, 1970, in Chicago, Illinois. They urged all present who could possibly do so to attend. He distributed literature which explained the aims and purposes of the emergency conference together with a list of its sponsors.

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On February 10, 1970, NH T-3 advised that a meeting of the Hartford Club, CP of Connecticut, was held on February 10, 1970, at the home of [redacted]

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During this meeting, it was announced that a young Negro, unnamed, is being groomed for membership in the BPP and would be encouraged to attend the March 6-8, 1970 conference in Chicago, Illinois, in support of the BPP.

All CP members present were assessed \$10 each as a contribution to the BPP.

On March 2, 1970, NH T-1 advised that a rally was held on the New Haven, Connecticut, Green on Saturday, February 21, 1970, to protest the trial of the seven Chicago defendants growing out of the disturbance at the 1968 Democratic Convention in Chicago, Illinois.

[redacted] was one of several who addressed the rally. He urged support of the Chicago Seven and for the rights of the BPP.

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On March 1, 1970, NH T-1 reported that a State meeting of the CP of Connecticut was held February 22, 1970, at 37 Howe Street, New Haven, Connecticut.

During this meeting, [redacted] reported on the founding convention of the Young Workers Liberation League (YWLL) which he and a colleague attended in Chicago, Illinois, earlier in February, 1970. Unlike other militant young groups whose membership is composed primarily of middle and upper class college students, the YWLL will seek membership from the youths of the poor and minority groups. It will fight for better working hours, education, housing and the fights of the minority groups and the BPP.

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[redacted] according to NH T-1, attended a State meeting of the CP of Connecticut on February 22, 1970, at which all persons present were CP members.

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On March 10, 1970, NH T-3 reported that a meeting of the Hartford Club, CP of Connecticut, was held this date at the home of [redacted]. It was announced at this meeting that the unnamed youth, previously mentioned, and [redacted] both attended the March 6-8, 1970, Chicago, Illinois, conference in support of the BPP.

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It was also announced that 50 thousand demonstrators were anticipated in New Haven, Connecticut, at an unspecified date to protest the trial of BOBBY SEALE indicted by the State of Connecticut, in connection with the ALEX RACKLEY murder in May, 1969.

On April 20, 1969, NH T-3 advised that [redacted] attended the Connecticut CP State Convention held on April 20, 1969, at New Haven, Connecticut, and introduced three amendments to the Constitution of the CP USA for consideration by the National Convention of the CP.

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BOBBY SEALE is characterized in the Appendix Section within the characterization of the BPP.

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II. COMMUNIST TACTICS

No information developed.

III. COMMUNIST PENETRATION AND INFLUENCE IN RACIAL AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

On February 14, 1970, NH T-4 learned that on this date, [] ordered the following communistic and socialistic literature from the China Book and Periodicals, 2929 24th Street, San Francisco, California, to be sent to the BPP Headquarters, 35 Sylvan Avenue, New Haven, Connecticut,

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<u>Title</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
Karl Marx	30
The State	30
The State and Revolution	30
4 Essays	30
Foundations of Leninism	30
Historical Dialectical Materialism	30
MAO's Military Writers	30
Red Books	30
Communist Manifesto	30
On the People's Democratic Dictatorship	30
3 Articles on the National Question - Lenin	30
What is to be Done?	30
Renegade	10
Proletarian Revolution	10
War and Peace	10
Imperialism-Highest Stage of Capitalism	10
2 Tactics of Social Democracy	10

On February 16, 1970, NH T-3 advised that the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom held a meeting on February 14, 1970, at the home of one of the members at which about 30 members were present.

The speaker was [redacted] who was brought to this meeting by [redacted]. He primarily discussed the programs and policies of the BPP. During the questioning period, [redacted] was asked rather sharp questions concerning the anti-Semitism of the BPP and pro-ARAB pronouncements. He was also questioned concerning the reported guilty pleas by three defendants in the murder of ALEX RACKLEY last year.

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He denied that the BPP was anti-Semitic. He also denied that they were pro-Arab. He stated that guilty pleas were extracted from the defendants referred to through coercion by the police.

About \$125 was collected with the provision that this money is to be used only for the children's free breakfast program.

On September 4, 1963, a brochure issued by the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF), 2006 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, which described the WILPF briefly as follows:

The WILPF has its national headquarters at Jane Addams House, 2006 Walnut Street, Philadelphia 3, Pennsylvania, where its monthly paper, "Four Light," is published. Its legislative office is at 120 Maryland Avenue, NE, Washington, D.C. International Headquarters are in Geneva. The International meets every three years. It conducts summer schools, peace congresses and publishes its magazine, PAX.

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It is an international interracial organization striving for peace and freedom by nonviolent democratic methods. It was founded in 1915, during the first World War, and its first president, JANE ADDAMS, was the first American woman to win the Nobel Peace Prize.

It keeps its membership informed on current problems through its legislative office in Washington. It issues its own pamphlets, study kits, fact sheets, and cooperates with like-minded organizations. WILPF has consultative status at the United Nations on a national and international level.

WILPF through its local branches sponsors public discussion on such topics as disarmament and world law, nuclear testing, civil defense, Berlin, civil rights, etc. Through its peace Action Committee, WILPF initiates peace walks, vigils, and meetings, as an organization and with other peace groups. Peace education for children is a special concern of WILPF.

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On March 4, 1970, NH T-4 learned that [redacted] who introduced herself as a writer for the "Daily World" requested information from [redacted] concerning the progress of the trial of the BPP defendants in New Haven. She desired this information in order to write a series of articles for her paper.

[redacted] informed her of the false confessions obtained from one of the defendants and the mistreatment of a female defendant at the Norwich, Connecticut, Prison where she is being held.

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Arrangements were made for [redacted] to accompany an attorney for the BPP to Norwich on March 5, 1970, and to also attend the pre-trial hearings in New Haven.

NH T-2 advised that [redacted] is the Lieutenant of Information, BPP, New Haven, Connecticut, Chapter. [redacted]

The "Daily World" is an east coast communist newspaper.

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**BLACK PANTHER PARTY, aka
Black Panther Party for Self-Defense**

According to its official newspaper, the Black Panther Party (BPP) was started during December, 1966, in Oakland, California, to organize black people so they can take control of the life, politics and the destiny of the black community. It was organized by BOBBY GEORGE SEALE, BPP Chairman, and HUEY P. NEWTON, BPP Minister of Defense. NEWTON is presently serving a sentence of two to fifteen years on a conviction of manslaughter in connection with the killing of an Oakland police officer.

The official newspaper, "The Black Panther," which further describes itself as the "Black Community News Service," stated that the BPP advocates the use of guns and guerrilla tactics in its revolutionary program to end oppression of the black people. Residents of the black community are urged to arm themselves against the police who are consistently referred to in the publication as "pigs" who should be killed.

"The Black Panther" issue of September 7, 1968, contains an editorial by BPP Minister of Education, GEORGE MASON MURRAY which ends with the following:

Black Men. Black people, colored persons of America, revolt everywhere! Arm yourselves. The only culture worth keeping is revolutionary culture. Change. Freedom everywhere. Dynamite! Black Power. Use the gun. Kill the pigs everywhere!"

Included in the introduction to an article appearing in the October 6, 1968, edition of "The Black Panther" is the statement, "...We will not dissent from American Government. We will overthrow it."

Issues of the "Black Panther" regularly contain quotations from the writings of Chairman MAO Tse-tung of the People's Republic of China and feature MAO's statement that "political power grows out of the barrel of a gun."

The national headquarters of the BPP is located at 3106 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, California. Branches have been established at various locations throughout the United States.

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BLACK PANTHER PARTY, aka
Black Panther Party for Self-Defense - Connecticut

On May 19, 1969, BOBBY GEORGE SEALE, National Black Panther Party Chairman, spoke at Battell Chapel, Elm and College Streets, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut. SEALE spoke in part as follows:

"...The struggle we are involved in is not a racial struggle, but a class struggle. We have to define the revolution that's occurring in this country as a people struggle. We've got to teach these kids to use guns so that when the racist pig comes down into our community we are gonna kill... If we catch a pig brutalizing our people in the black community, we are gonna kill him - we are gonna stop him."

On 4/20/69, a second source advised that the Communist Party of Connecticut, held a State Convention at the Peoples Center, 37 Howe Street, New Haven, Connecticut, on that date. During this convention, it was announced that there was going to be a memorial service in New Haven on that date for three Black Panthers who were slain a year ago; and all members of the Communist Party were invited to attend this memorial.

The Black Panther Party presently has chapters in Bridgeport, New Haven, Hartford, and Middletown, Connecticut. Their leadership is presently confused since eight members of the Black Panther Party were arrested by the New Haven Police Department for the murder of ALEX RACKLEY, alleged Black Panther Party member from New York City, whose body was found in Middlefield, Connecticut, on May 21, 1969.

THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY IS
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APPENDIXBLACK PANTHER PARTY, aka
Black Panther Party for Self-Defense - Connecticut

On January 29, 1969, the "Bridgeport Telegram", a daily newspaper published at Bridgeport, Connecticut, contained in part the following:

"On January 28, (1969), the Black Panther Party was formed in Bridgeport; [redacted] announced last night at a meeting at party headquarters, 510 East Main Street. [redacted] Oakland-trained black defense captain, spoke to twenty Negro youths in his mission here to organize a chapter of the political party..."

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On March 18, 1969, the following Black Panther literature, published locally was distributed in the Bridgeport, Connecticut, area. It read in part as follows:

"The BPP is a party that will produce for the people and its members will do anything and everything possible to meet the demands of the poor oppressed black people. We are not a hoodlum gang, nor did we come here to kill white people or the police. We came here to stop racist actions that the oppressors (black and white) have been taking upon our people. We are the vanguard party and we intend to provide leadership for the people and revolutionary groups across the country..."

A source advised as of April 14, 1969, the New Haven Chapter of the Black Panther Party was operating under the authority of the National Organization. [redacted] had been given the authority to open this chapter in New Haven and to organize throughout the State of Connecticut.

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[redacted] departed Connecticut in early May, 1969, and attempted to organize the Black Panther Party in Greensboro, North Carolina, for which he was suspended. State leadership in Connecticut was taken over by [redacted], a member and leader of the New Haven Chapter of the Black Panther Party, and [redacted] political educational instructor.

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Synopsis: JAMES E. DOOLEY, President, Salt Lake City, Utah, Branch, National Association For The Advancement Of Colored People (NAACP), advised a vote taken by members of Salt Lake City Branch, NAACP, Scholarship Board on 4/6/70 eliminated ROBERT ARCHULETA as member of this Board. DOOLEY advised ARCHULETA failed to pay 1970 NAACP dues and is no longer affiliated with Salt Lake City Branch, NAACP, in any capacity.

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DETAILS:

On April 28, 1970, JAMES E. DOOLEY, President, Salt Lake City, Utah, Branch, National Association For The Advancement Of Colored People (NAACP), advised that ROBERT ARCHULETA had failed to pay his NAACP membership dues in January, 1969, and again in January, 1970, and therefore was considered to be discontinued as a member of the Salt Lake City Branch of NAACP. DOOLEY stated that ARCHULETA had been a member of the NAACP Scholarship Board, which was established for the granting of a college scholarship to the Negro student in the Salt Lake City, Utah, area who excels scholastically in high school. DOOLEY advised that the members of this Board met on April 6, 1970, at which time a vote was taken by these members concerning ARCHULETA's status and qualifications to vote on the awarding of the student scholarship for the year 1970. In view of the fact ARCHULETA

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has not sustained his NAACP membership by paying dues, the members of this Board voted that ARCHULETA be removed from his position with the Board with a majority vote. DOOLEY advised this was the final action which completely severed any relationship ROBERT ARCHULETA had with the Salt Lake City Branch of NAACP.

ROBERT ARCHULETA is Educational Director,
Salt Lake County Club, Communist Party
of Utah.

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No information developed.

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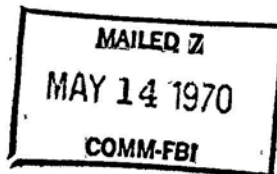
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At Seattle, Washington

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All persons named in this report as members of any basic revolutionary organization, and who reside within the area covered by the Seattle Division are listed in the Security Index or are informants or sources,

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Report of: R. BERT CARTER
Date: 4/29/70

Office: SEATTLE

Field Office File #: 100-27267

Bureau File #: 100-442529

Title: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST

Synopsis: Communist Party, Seattle, Washington, supporting
Black Panther Party in its efforts to remain alive
as an organization.

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DETAILS:At Seattle, WashingtonI. COMMUNIST STRATEGYA. Communist Party (CP), USACONFIDENTIALGROUP 1Excluded from automatic
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declassification

1. Plans, strategy, Party line and the like made at National meetings, including expressions by National leaders and other functionaries.
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a black who is the national leader of a new revolutionary working-class youth organization, attended a conference at Seattle on November 7, 1969. Subsequently source received in the mail a leaflet setting forth the general aims of the new group which included a proposal to incorporate members of various ethnic groups into the organization. A reproduction of the leaflet is set out hereafter.

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2/6/70

AND FROM ONE GENERATION
TO ANOTHER

Dear Friend:

For years progressive adults eagerly awaited the spread of radicalism among youth. Today millions of youth are moving leftward. In becoming radical, often they know better what they do not want than what they want and even less, how effectively to win their aims. Unfortunately, too many youth end up in dead-end alleys.

Now a group of youth are launching an organization that will help guarantee that youth's rebellion produces the most constructive results. It will differ from other youth organizations in several respects. It will be virtually the only youth group in America with Black, Puerto Rican, Mexican-American and white youth all in one organization. It will be the only youth organization with a substantial number of young workers as well as students.

It will fight for an end to the Vietnam aggression, against racism, for jobs and democratic rights and will offer the alternative of scientific socialism. It will work for these goals in a militant but responsible and effective way as a part of the mainstream of the left progressive forces of the world.

In our opinion this is just the kind of youth organization needed now to assure that the direction of the radicalization is healthy. Everyone receives many appeals for funds these days but we believe this initiative deserves digging extra deep.

To get hundreds of youth from all over the country to Chicago for the founding convention in February will require a great deal of money. And they need a substantial fund to open and staff an office and begin their activities around the war, racism, jobs and democratic liberties.

These are serious young people who are deeply committed and who need our support. We feel a commitment to them and want to do all we can to help make their new effort a resounding success.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

P.S. Make checks payable to:

[Redacted Name]

Organizing Committee for the youth organization
and Past National Chairman of the DuBois Clubs of America.

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2. Plans, et cetera, made at district and lower-level meetings, including expressions by local leaders and rank-and-file members

On February 21, 1970, an enlarged section meeting of the CP was held at Seattle in the IOGT Hall, 1109 Virginia Street. The chairman was CP member [redacted]. He discussed labor unions and their position against taking in black members. He pointed out that a white man can easily gain membership in local unions if they can find someone to hire them and also if they have money for an entrance fee.

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[redacted] stressed that unions need black people to make them better and to obtain new ideas. He went on to point out that it is easy for a white worker to join a union but that a black man must take tests and even then is not always permitted to join. Some unions, such as the Iron Workers, would accept a \$5.00 per day permit from a black man to work but will not give him membership in the union.

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2/24/70

II. COMMUNIST TACTICS

A. Proposal to help blacks with health problems

On January 27, 1970, a meeting of the Westside CP Club was held at Seattle. CP member [redacted] said that in order to win the Negro people the Party would have to concern itself more with health problems. [redacted] another CP member present, mentioned that a friend of hers had converted another person just through being considerate of that person when she was sick while others had failed her.

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It was pointed out that mass distributions of material are fine but that personal problems of individuals are important too.

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III. COMMUNIST PENETRATION AND
INFLUENCE IN RACIAL AND
OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

A. Black Panther Party (BPP)

The BPP is characterized in
the appendix pages.

On January 7, 1970, a joint North-South King County CP section meeting was held at the office of the "People's World" in Seattle. [redacted] CP organizational secretary, reported [redacted] the teacher from Los Angeles who is a CP member and who is having difficulty holding her teaching position, might come to Seattle on the occasion of the birthday of BOBBY SEALE of the BPP and that the CP is working closely with the BPP to jointly sponsor such a meeting.

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SE T-4
1/16/70

The "People's World" (PW) is a
west coast communist newspaper

On January 16, 1970, VIVIAN GABOURY, a CP member, advised that she was helping with the BPP breakfast program for children at High Point.

SE T-5
1/26/70

On January 23, 1970, [redacted] a CP member, was observed distributing copies of a leaflet concerning the BPP which carried the letterhead of the Emergency Conference Committee, Chicago, Illinois. A reproduction of one of the leaflets is set out hereafter.

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EMERGENCY CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
417 East 47th Street
Chicago, Ill.

January 23, 1970.

Dear Friend:

The wave of political repression which is taking place in the United States today calls upon all honest men and women to raise their voices in protest.

We count YOU in this great number.

Continuing attacks against the BLACK PANTHER leaders across the country make it clear that the "Establishment" is seeking to eliminate the Black Panther Party.

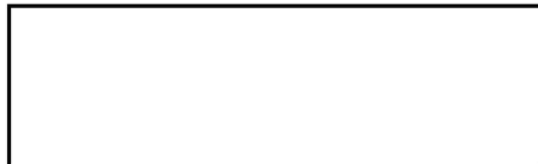
WHO WILL BE NEXT? WHERE WILL IT END?

We appeal to you to join with us in a united effort to "End Repression"--- The enclosed call is self-explanatory. May we have your support and may we add your name to our list of sponsors? This matter is of the GREATEST importance.

Since we must reach the printer by February 2nd, 1970, may we have your immediate reply?

Very truly yours,

Co-Chairmen:



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On January 28, 1970, a meeting of the Ballard-Greenwood CP Club was held at Seattle. CP member [redacted] reported concerning a meeting she and [redacted] attended with other CP members and leaders of the BPP to discuss how to combat the purge to annihilate BPP members and defend their right to exist. She said the CP members promised they would gather ten of twenty names of prominent people to sign a statement backing the BPP that would be published in a newspaper on February 15, 1970. BPP members said they would obtain the other ten names.

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[redacted] said it was important "we all go out and try to get people to sign this statement". She asked each member present whom they thought they could recruit for this. She said both local and national lists are being compiled and will be published.

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2/11/70

On February 10, 1970, CP member VIVIAN GABOURY made available a leaflet designed to have affixed to it the name and identifying information of a person who will support the defense of Black Panthers. The completed leaflet was to be returned to the BPP or the "People's World". A reproduction of one of the leaflets is set out hereafter.

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2/18/70

SIGNER'S SHEET:

RATION.

RETURN SIGNED SHEETS TO:

Black Panther 73 20th Ave

or

The People's World; 1408 18th Av.

The Seattle Coalition To Defend The Black Panthers

NOTE: The declaration below will be used to help build a broad coalition defense movement, both locally and nationally. Immediate activity will center on two projects: (1) A public meeting in Seattle on Saturday, February 21. (2) A national emergency conference to be held in Chicago on March 6, 7, and 8. The Seattle meeting will seek to reflect the broadest possible coalition in both organization and program. Speakers will include Miss Angela Davis, philosophy professor at the University of California at Los Angeles. Miss Davis recognizes that the defense of the Black Panthers is the first line of defense in her own fight for her right to teach as a young black woman Communist.

Signers are asked to contribute a minimum of \$3.00 toward the cost of placing meeting ads in local papers. Signers agree to having the declaration and a signers list published as a part of these ads.

DECLARATION:

Political freedom is indivisible !

We defend the right of the Black Panther Party to exist.

We uphold the inalienable Constitutional right of its members to take their program to the people.

We believe the lives, liberties and freedom of the Black Panthers must be the concern of all.

We act to help stop the Panther annihilation NOW ! ! We cannot wait for them to rip off the Panthers, then the peace protestors, then the workers on strike, then the student dissenters . . . FOR IF WE WAIT, WHO WILL BE LEFT?

Believing this to be in truth and in fact a national emergency, we call upon all Americans to join with us to answer the question:

"How can we stop this headlong drive toward a police state in America of which the Panther repression is the most alarming development?"

SIGNED:

NAME (print) PHONE:

ORGANIZATION

SIGNATURE

ADDRESS

(for identification only)

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On February 16, 1970, copies of the aforementioned leaflet were distributed at the Westside CP Club meeting by VIVIAN GABOURY for use by the members in obtaining signatures.

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On February 11, 1970, a meeting of the Sno-King CP Club was held at Seattle. CP member [redacted] urged each club member to write or send a telegram urging the release of BOBBY SEALE. No one else at the meeting made any comment in this regard.

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SE T-7
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On February 23, 1970, a PW committee meeting was held at Seattle. Copies of a leaflet urging defense of the BPP were distributed. A reproduction of one of the leaflets is set out hereafter,

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3/3/70

LL TO ACTION

I/We are ready to give concrete practical support

TO DEFEND THE RIGHT OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY TO EXIST !

Name of individual or organization _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____

Telephone _____ Zip Code _____

I/We can function on the following committee(s) and area(s) of work:
(Please check one or more of the following, especially those in which you have a skill)

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| ☐ Typing | ☐ Help on the breakfast program |
| ☐ Mimeographing | ☐ Help in the medical clinic |
| ☐ Writer | ☐ Give legal assistance |
| ☐ Artist | ☐ Raise funds for bail and defense |
| ☐ Photographer | ☐ Speak at meetings and rallies |
| ☐ Provide transportation | ☐ Organize support meetings in my neighborhood |
| ☐ Distribute leaflets & posters | ☐ Build a defense committee in my community |
| ☐ Circulate petitions | ☐ Other skills (please list) _____ |
| ☐ Work on mailings | _____ |
| ☐ Do telephoning | _____ |

☐ Work with the Fact Finding Committee to research, collect and spell out the facts as to the nationwide and local conspiracy to repress and annihilate the Black Panther Party.

☐ Work with the Repercussions Committee to discuss, plan and organize ways and means to prevent the annihilation of the local Black Panther Party chapter, and to defend the right of its members to take their program to the people.

☐ Work with the LEGAL ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE to find lawyers, to collect bail, and to give assistance to members of the Black Panther Party who are arrested and persecuted.

☐ Work with one of the following committees to build special support among:

STUDENTS _____ WORKERS _____ RELIGIOUS GROUPS _____ WOMEN'S GROUPS _____

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On February 23, 1970, a meeting of the Des Moines CP Club was held at Seattle. GEORGE RUSSELL, the club chairman, stated support should be given to the BPP.

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On February 28, 1970, a meeting was held at Garfield High School, Seattle, under the auspices of the Seattle Coalition to defend the right of the Black Panthers to exist. Among the speakers was [redacted] who discussed the "Young Workers Liberation League", a Marxist-Leninist organization. [redacted] spoke, not as a professor of philosophy from the University of California at Los Angeles, but as a member of the California CP. She discussed the "pig" attacks on the BPP headquarters in Los Angeles.

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[redacted] of the High Point Community Church told of the free breakfast program sponsored by the BPP at his church wherein an average of 90 children a day are fed. The number sometime reaches 140 to 150 a day. This is the same location whereat CP member VIVIAN GABOURY assists the BPP in its breakfast program.

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3/10/70

APPENDIX

BLACK PANTHER PARTY,
Also Known As
Black Panther Party for Self-Defense

According to its official newspaper, the Black Panther Party (BPP) was started during December, 1966, in Oakland, California, to organize black people so they can take control of the life, politics and the destiny of the black community. It was organized by BOBBY SEALE, BPP Chairman, and HUEY P. NEWTON, BPP Minister of Defense. NEWTON was sentenced in 1968 to serve 2 to 15 years after being convicted of manslaughter in connection with the killing of an Oakland police officer.

The official newspaper, "The Black Panther," which further describes itself as the "Black Community News Service," states that the BPP advocates the use of guns and guerrilla tactics in its revolutionary program to end oppression of the black people. Residents of the black community are urged to arm themselves against the police who are consistently referred to in the publication as "pigs" who should be killed.

"The Black Panther" issue of September 7, 1968, contains an editorial by BPP Minister of Education, GEORGE MASON MURRAY, which ends with the following:

"Black men. Black people; colored persons of America, revolt everywhere! Arm yourselves. The only culture worth keeping is a revolutionary culture. Change. Freedom everywhere. Dynamite! Black Power. Use the gun. Kill the pigs everywhere."

Included in the introduction to an article appearing in the October 5, 1968, edition of "The Black Panther" is the statement ". . . we will not dissent from American Government. We will overthrow it."

Issues of "The Black Panther" regularly contain quotations from the writings of Chairman MAO Tse-tung of the People's Republic of China and feature MAO's statement that "political power grows out of the barrel of a gun."

The national headquarters of the BPP is located at 3106 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley, California. Branches have been established at various locations throughout the United States.

BLACK PANTHER PARTY

A source advised on January 8, 1970, the Black Panther Party (BPP) organized a chapter unit in Seattle, Washington, in late April, 1968. The Seattle Chapter advocates violence and teaches guerilla-type warfare in obtaining BPP goals.

The Seattle Chapter is in close contact with representatives of the BPP National Headquarters in California. The Seattle group has publicly adopted the national BPP "10-point program". Members of the group have appeared in public with weapons, have engaged in black militant activities and criminal activities.

The Seattle Headquarters is located at 173 - 20th Avenue, Seattle, Washington.



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Character INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Reference Report of SA R. BERT CARTER
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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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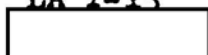
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Report of: EUGENE B. MC CARTHY

Office: Los Angeles, California

Date: 4/29/70

Field Office File #: 100-66078

Bureau File #: 100-442529

Title: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Synopsis: The Southern California District Communist Party (SCDCP) raising money to aid Black Panther Party (BPP) Program. Attempt being made by SCDCP to coordinate black and brown groups, their defense, and their political representation.

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DETAILS:

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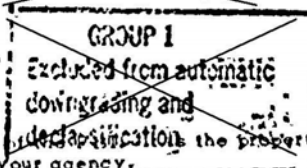
The following abbreviations will be used throughout this report:

Communist Party (CP)
Southern California District Communist Party (SCDCP)

I.
COMMUNIST STRATEGY

LA T-1 (1/8/70)

On December 8, 1969, the Professional-Cultural Section, SCDCP, held a club meeting at which an agreement was reached that there should be more Chicano (Mexican) representatives within the CP and that this should be the major emphasis and consideration of the Party.

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LA T-2 (12/29/69)

On December 11, 1969, the San Fernando Valley Section, SCDGP, held a meeting at which it was stated that the Black Panthers will probably become a Marxist Party, and everyone within the CP should help them as much as possible.

LA T-3 (12/30/69)

On December 16, 1969, the SCDGP Executive Board held a meeting at which it was stated the CP task is to spread black protest to include a coalition of all white, black, and Chicano groups on a mass basis. The backbone of such a coalition should be the peace movement, since this is the only broad group able to bring about such a wide coalition of force. The main center of protest is to be the police.

LA T-1 (1/8/70)

On December 30, 1969, at a meeting of the Mexican-American Commission, 27th Congressional District Section, SCDGP, it was announced that there was a need for a tie-up between the Mexican-American and black peoples. It was stated that hard work and dedication is needed to make this a reality.

LA T-1 (1/15/70)

On January 10, 1970, the SCDGP District Committee held a meeting at which it was stated that it appears that the CP is stressing the brown and red peoples even though they have pledged working class concentration emphasizing heavily the black working class.

LA T-4 (1/21/70)

On January 10, 1970, SCDGP District Committee held a meeting at which a resolution was made to strengthen the black and brown peoples unity, their defense, and their political representation.

LA T-5 (1/21/70)

On January 10, 1970, SCDGP District Committee held a meeting at which meeting CP Support was encouraged in areas where Mexicans should be elected.

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LA T-6 (1/15/70)

On January 12, 1970, the Cyril Briggs Club, SCDGP, held a meeting at which it was stated the CP is supporting the protest movement of the Catholic Church through "left-minded" Mexicans. The Party is trying to unite the brown communities and get them to realize how much they have in common.

LA T-7 (2/19/70)

On February 3, 1970, the Northeast Club of the San Fernando Valley Section, SCDGP, held a meeting at which it was stated that the Los Angeles District Board is discussing Black Panther Party (BPP) (see appendix) support.

LA T-1 (2/24/70)

On February 7, 1970, the SCDGP held a District Committee meeting at which it was stated that the CP is pushing blacks and Mexican-Americans to vote.

LA T-3 (3/4/70)

On February 17, 1970, the SCDGP held an Executive Board meeting at which it was discussed that the time is now right for an open Communist to sit in among the Mexican-American organizations and participate openly.

LA T-4 (3/3/70)

On February 24, 1970, the SCDGP District Board held a meeting to give a report on the busing of school children. This report stated that the teachers as well as the students should be bused.

LA T-3 (3/4/70)

On February 24, 1970, the SCDGP District Board held a meeting to give a report on the busing of school children. This report stated that the busing must be voluntary and that busing does not solve the problem of integration since Negro, white, and Mexican children still stay within their own group.

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LA T-8 (3/12/70)

On March 2, 1970, the Cyril Briggs Club, SCDGP, held a fund-raising affair for the benefit of the Black Panther Party.

II.
COMMUNIST PENETRATION AND
INFLUENCE IN RACIAL ORGANIZATIONS

LA T-9 (1/9/70)

On December 30, 1969, SCDGP held a District Board meeting at which it was stated that 4,000 leaflets, titled, "The Black Panthers and The Jewish Community" will be distributed within the Jewish community under the auspices of the Beverly Fairfax Club, SCDGP. This leaflet supports the BPP.

At this meeting it was stated that the Che Lumumba Club, SCDGP, has approximately 25 black members who are "hard core" influences. It was explained this 25 are in the BPP.

LA T-10(1/12/70)

On January 7, 1970, the Centinela Club, SCDGP, held a meeting at which it was stated that all members will donate \$1.00 per month to support the BPP Breakfast Program.

LA T-11(1/19/70)

On January 7, 1970, the South Central Club of the SCDGP held a meeting at which it was stated that the Che Lumumba Club is helping the BPP in all of its struggles and has established new member classes for the BPP.

LA T-12 (1/26/70)

On January 13, 1970, the Long Beach Club, SCDGP, voted to support the BPP Program to Feed Needy Children. One dollar extra will be paid along with Party dues for the BPP Program.

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LA T-13 (2/19/70)

On February 3, 1970, the Southside Section, SCDCP, held a meeting at which an agreement was reached to collect funds for the BPP Breakfast Program.

LA T-10 (2/18/70)

On February 4, 1970, the Centinela Club, SCDCP, held a meeting at which it was announced the Centinela Club gave \$25.00 to the BPP Breakfast Program.

APPENDIX~~CONFIDENTIAL~~BLACK PANTHER PARTY,
Also Known AsBlack Panther Party for Self-Defense

According to its official newspaper, the Black Panther Party (BPP) was started during December 1966, in Oakland, California, to organize black people so they can take control of the life, politics and the destiny of the black community. It was organized by BOBBY SEALE, BPP Chairman, and HUEY P. NEWTON, BPP Minister of Defense. NEWTON was sentenced in 1968 to serve 2 to 15 years after being convicted of manslaughter in connection with the killing of an Oakland police officer.

The official newspaper, "The Black Panther", which further describes itself as the "Black Community News Service", states that the BPP advocates the use of guns and guerrilla tactics in its revolutionary program to end oppression of the black people. Residents of the black community are urged to arm themselves against the police who are consistently referred to in the publication as "pigs" who should be killed.

"The Black Panther" issue of September 7, 1968, contains an editorial by BPP Minister of Education, GEORGE MASON MURRAY, which ends with the following:

"Black men. Black people, colored persons of America, revolt everywhere! Arm yourselves. The only culture worth keeping is a revolutionary culture. Change. Freedom everywhere. Dynamite! Black Power. Use the gun. Kill the pigs everywhere."

Included in the introduction to an article appearing in the October 5, 1968, edition of "The Black Panther" is the statement "...we will not dissent from American Government. We will overthrow it."

Issues of "The Black Panther" regularly contain quotations from the writings of Chairman MAO Tse-tung of the People's Republic of China and feature MAO's statement that "political power grows out of the barrel of a gun."

The national headquarters of the BPP is located at 3106 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley, California. Branches have been established at various locations throughout the United States.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Los Angeles, California
April 29, 1970

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Title	COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
Character	INTERNAL SECURITY - C
Reference	Report of SA EUGENE B. MC CARTHY, dated and captioned as above, at Los Angeles.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

FROM : *R/S* SAC, OMAHA (100-6837) (RUC)

DATE: 5/1/70

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN RACIAL MATTERS
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CR Re Omaha letter to Bureau 1/20/70.

No information has been received from Omaha sources to indicate there is any communist influence in racial matters existing within this division since submission of relet.

Contact with sources acquainted with the racial situation in the Omaha Division has revealed no evidence of any communist influences in racial type organizations in Des Moines, Iowa, and Omaha, Nebraska.

There has been no information developed within this division to indicate there is any communist influence in the NAACP.

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[redacted] who provide coverage on the Communist Party in this Division, state that no information relating to captioned matter has come to their attention during the preceding three month period. These informants state that the Erie County Communist Party has no program for attempting to bring about influence in racial matters.

Buffalo will continue to follow this matter and advise the Bureau accordingly.

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